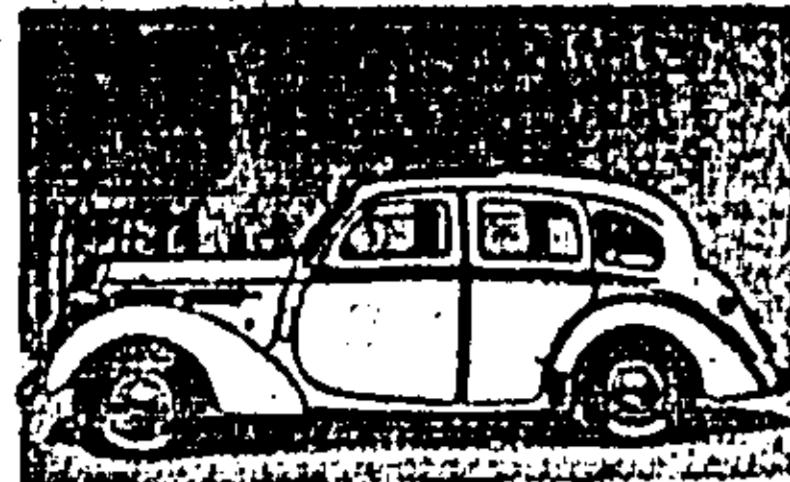


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GERMAN TROOPS COMPLETE OCCUPATION OF CZEKIA



Ruled black line shows the area of Czechoslovakia seized after September. The "head" now becomes German territory, the "torso" maintains a German vassalage, while the tail goes to Hungary.

COMMONS STATEMENT

"IBITTERLY REGRET," SAYS CHAMBERLAIN

LONDON, Mar. 15.—MR. NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN, the British Prime Minister, entered the House of Commons to-day to make a statement on Czechoslovakia, just before the end of question-time. He was greeted with Ministerial cheers and cries from the Opposition.

EFFECT ON BRITAIN

Future Policy Based On Further Acts

LONDON, Mar. 15.—THE EVENTS in Czechoslovakia were the main pre-occupation of the Cabinet at its meeting this morning. It is understood that the Ministers took a very grave view of the situation, and consequently will press on the re-armament programme to the utmost.

While British policy will continue to be directed towards a peaceful settlement of disputes, there seems little doubt that Ministers will henceforth base policy on the risks of further acts by Germany outside the boundaries of her own nation.

Developments of to-day shocked members of all parties, but the view is widely held that in the present situation, no effective action could be taken by this country.

The suggestion by Mr. Anthony Eden of an all-party Government has met with little support.

QUICKER THAN EXPECTED

The partition of Czechoslovakia has come quicker than expected, writes a diplomatic observer, but the efficiency and rapidity with which Hitler seized Bohemia and Moravia came as no surprise.

The German formula has been identical in each of her three foreign successes. In the last twelve months, first the ground is thoroughly prepared, and then, when all arrangements are complete, a mine is sprung and German troops have merely to take possession of territory gained by diplomacy.

This time, however, the soldiers were not received with flowers and cheers, but with cat-calls and hisses.

It is thought in some quarters that the two Czech provinces may prove rather a tough meal, but it must be remembered that German digestion has shown itself to be remarkably sound.

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POLES DISTURBED

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Diplomats are asking in which direction will come the next move.

SWASTIKA AS NATIONAL EMBLEM OF THE PEOPLE

BOHEMIA AND MORAVIA, THE TWO CZECH STATES WHICH HAVE BEEN SEIZED BY GERMAN TROOPS, WILL BE INCORPORATED IN ALL OFFICIAL GERMAN MAPS AS PART OF THE GREATER REICH.

The swastika will be the official flag of the new German province, which will be known as Czechia.

The Czech Army will be disbanded and German troops will continue in occupation of the entire area.

SKODA FACTORY FOR REICH

Included in the German gains are the vast Skoda armaments factories.

The area of the two new German provinces is 30,426 square miles, which is more than half of the pre-September acreage of the entire Czech-Slovak Republic (54,207 square miles).

Slovakia, which will retain an armed independence as a semi-German state, has an area of 18,895 square miles and a population of 3,254,000. It is all that will remain on the maps of Europe to show where once stood the proud Central European Republic.

HITLER'S TRIUMPHANT ENTRY

PRAGUE, Mar. 15.—HERR ADOLF HITLER made a triumphal entry into Prague at 7.45 p.m. this evening, in a snowstorm.

It is expected that a triumphal parade will be held to-morrow.

The Fuehrer took up official residence at the old castle of Prague, when his flag was hoisted over the castle tower by the castle guard, composed of a German Fascist regiment.

It is reported that Herr Hitler has commissioned General von Brauchitsch to exercise executive power in Bohemia and Moravia.

An earlier Berlin message says that Herr Hitler arrived at Boemischleipa on Bohemian territory this afternoon en route to Prague, accompanied by Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, General Keitel, General von Steilprang, the Quartermaster-General of the Army, Herr Himmler, and many other high army officers and party officers.

Herr Konrad Henlein, former Sudeten leader has been appointed civil administrator at the German army headquarters in Prague, while Herr Buerckel has been selected as head of the civil administration of Moravia at the German army headquarters in Prague.

Reports from Bratislava state that Ruthenian storm-troopers disarmed a large section of the Czech military.

GERMANS IN SLOVAKIA

Reports that German troops have marched into Slovakia are now confirmed. Troops advancing into Moravia and Bohemia encountered snow blizzards which reduced visibility to ten yards, and greatly hampered the motorised units.

Reuter and United Press messages.

CABINET RESIGNS

Prague, Mar. 15.—The Czech Cabinet has resigned and General Gajda, the Fascist leader, has been made "Fuehrer of the Czech people"—Reuter.

WALL STREET NERVOUS

New York, Mar. 15.—Nervousness over the Czechoslovakian situation dominated dealings on the New York stock and share exchange to-day.

The break was the widest since January 20 when Czech bonds crashed both on the New York and London markets.

Wall Street's principal worry was concerned with the European political situation and also considerable dissatisfaction was felt regarding domestic developments, especially over the Federal Reserve action, which dissipated hopes of a marginal reduction.—United Press.

ESTABLISHING RELATIONS

Prague, Mar. 15.—A Czech committee for the establishment of friendly relations between the Czech nation and the German army was formed here to-day.

It consists of political and non-political groups. The political group is composed of adherents to the so-called "Vlakta" movement, in which

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by Germany in Eastern Europe, or Italy in the Mediterranean?

The general view is that Germany will be too absorbed in her recent acquisitions to promise Mussolini 100 per cent. support for the Italian claims.

However, it would be unwise to form strong hopes on such a light foundation.—Reuter.

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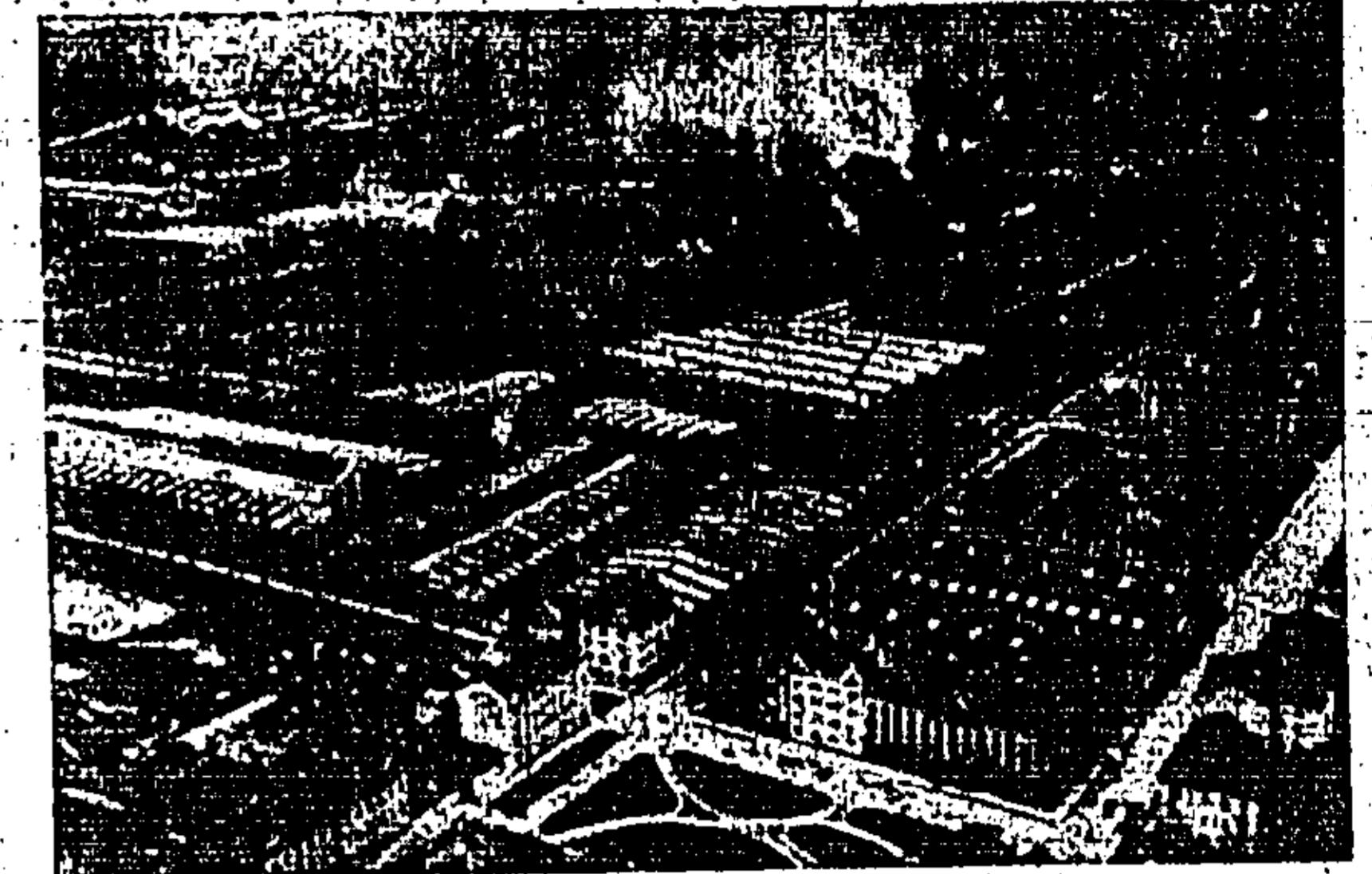
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A VIEW OF THE vast Czech armament works near Pilzen. These will now become German property.

CHINA LOAN BILL IS INTRODUCED

Interest At Rate Of 2 3/4 Per Cent.

LONDON, Mar. 15.

SIR JOHN SIMON, Chancellor of the Exchequer, to-day introduced into the House of Commons, the China Currency Stabilisation Bill, providing for the establishment of a £10,000,000 fund to check undue fluctuations in the sterling value of the Chinese dollar.

He said that the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation would subscribe £3,000,000, the Chartered Bank of India and Australia would provide £2,000,000, and the Bank of China and the Bank of Communications would jointly subscribe £5,000,000.

The Management of the fund was vested in a committee of five, two of which were appointed jointly by the Chinese banks, one each by the Hongkong and Shanghai and the Chartered banks, and one would be a British expert appointed by the Chinese Government in agreement with the approval of the British banks.

DUTY OF COMMITTEE

The duty of the committee would be to determine from day to day the policy best suited to achieve the purpose of checking undue fluctuations in the sterling value of the Chinese dollar.

The Hongkong and Shanghai and the Chartered banks would receive interest every six months at 2 3/4 per cent. The Chinese banks would undertake to pay interest insofar as it was not met by earnings from any



TYN CHURCH in Prague. Here John Huss preached, and at its base stands his statue. Tower at left is the Old Town Hall with famed intricate clock.

SLOVAKIAN REPUBLIC Completely Shorn Of Powers

BRATISLAVA, Mar. 15.

M. KARL SIDOR, the former Prague Government's nominee as Minister of the Interior in the Slovak Cabinet, has gone on a holiday.

It will last for four weeks, and it is not expected that he will return to office.

Meanwhile, Premier Tiso, whose appeal to Hitler on behalf of Slovak independence succeeded, has temporarily taken charge of the Ministry of the Interior.—Trans-Ocean.

PARIS IMPRESSED

PARIS, Mar. 15.

A request for information as to the exact meaning of Herr Hitler's proclamation with regard to the Czech State was made by the French Ambassador to Berlin this morning.

M. Georges Bonnet had telephone talks this morning with the Polish Ambassador and the French Ambassador in London.

This evening, M. Bonnet is receiving the German Ambassador, who will confirm the communication made this morning by which the German Government declared that its action in Czechoslovakia was taken in accordance with the Quai d'Orsay early this afternoon.

It is believed that the communication particularly stressed the fact that entry of German troops into Bohemia and Moravia took place with the assent of the Prague Government.

The German Ambassador, Count Welczeck is expected to visit the Foreign Office this afternoon.—Trans-Ocean.

POLAND RECOGNISES INDEPENDENCE

Warsaw, Mar. 15.

The Polish Government has decided to establish a Polish Legation in Bratislava, thereby practically recognising the independence of Slovakia.

The Polish Consul-General in Uzhorod has been appointed Charge d'Affaires in Bratislava.—Trans-Ocean.

LATEST Ultimatum Not Met

BUDAPEST, Mar. 15.

The reply to the Hungarian ultimatum to Ruthenia was received here from Premier Voloshine this evening.

In his answer, the Ruthenian Premier declared that three representatives of the Ruthenian Government were en route to Budapest and requested the Hungarian Government to terminate immediately all military operations in the country.

The Hungarian Foreign Minister, Count Csaky, replied that the Ruthenian delegation would be received with traditional Hungarian hospitality, but that it was impossible for the Germans to interrupt military operations at a stage at various points.

Count Csaky also expressed the hope that Premier Voloshine would exert all his influence to prevent unnecessary bloodshed in Ruthenia.—Trans-Ocean.

See Back Page For Further Late News.

Trade Parleys Cancelled Inopportune Time, Says Halifax

London, Mar. 15.

The first official German comment on the events in Central Europe appears in the "Diplomatico Korrespondenz" to-day, which states that "history confers on the Czech people no claim whatever to independence."

"Czech political leadership itself has now reached the conclusion that the experiment of sole Czech responsibility for Bohemia and Moravia has been a failure."

ROME COMMENT

Rome, Mar. 15.

While official circles in Rome are chary of commenting on the Czechoslovakia situation, this morning's newspapers give the trend of public opinion.

The "Telegrafo" declares that "only after the Munich conference had been hastily summoned was

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"STRICT OBEDIENCE"

"Executive power in Bohemia having been entrusted to me, I have made the following enactments: The Reich Commissary and regional leaders, Herr Konrad Henlein,

etc.

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London, Mar. 15.

Viscount Halifax announced in the House of Lords to-day that, having regard to the effect on the general conditions in Europe which recent events were bound to exert, the Government felt that the present moment was inappropriate for the proposed visit of the President of the Board of Trade, and the Secretary of Overseas Trade to Berlin.

The visit accordingly had been postponed, and Germany had been so informed.—Reuter.

EXCESS TO TREASURY

If, on winding up, the British banks receive in sterling, apart from interest, more than the original subscription, they will pay the excess to the Treasury.

The arrangements will remain in force for a year, but can be renewed for further periods of six months.

The British banks, with the consent of the Treasury, or the Chinese Banks, with the consent of the Chinese Government, can determine the arrangements at any time by giving seven days' notice.—Reuter.

The King Commands Ballet Gala at Covent Garden

M. LEBRUN WILL BE GUEST OF HONOUR

FOR the first time since pre-war days a Royal Command ballet performance is to be given at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, on March 22.

It will be held in honour of the French President and Madame Lebrun, who are in London on a State visit. And thus, for a night, the stateliest of all theatres will once again be the scene of pageantry and royal pomp.

Every man present will wear uniform or Court dress. Women will be expected to wear hats and other jewelled adornments.

FESTOONS OF FLOWERS

Festoons of blooms will be used to decorate the auditorium. But only those near the Royal boxes will be real, as the scent would otherwise be too overpowering.

Yomen of the Guard in their picturesque Tudor uniforms will line the grand staircase as the King and Queen and their guests arrive.

If precedent is followed the entire Opera House will be at the disposal of the King and Queen and their guests. Price and the position of seats will make no difference and stalls and galleries will be occupied by royal guests.

As in the past, royal permission will be given for some boxes and seats to be sold. But the price will be high.

PROGRAMME CHOSEN

The great boxes will occupy almost the whole of the grand tier, the tem-

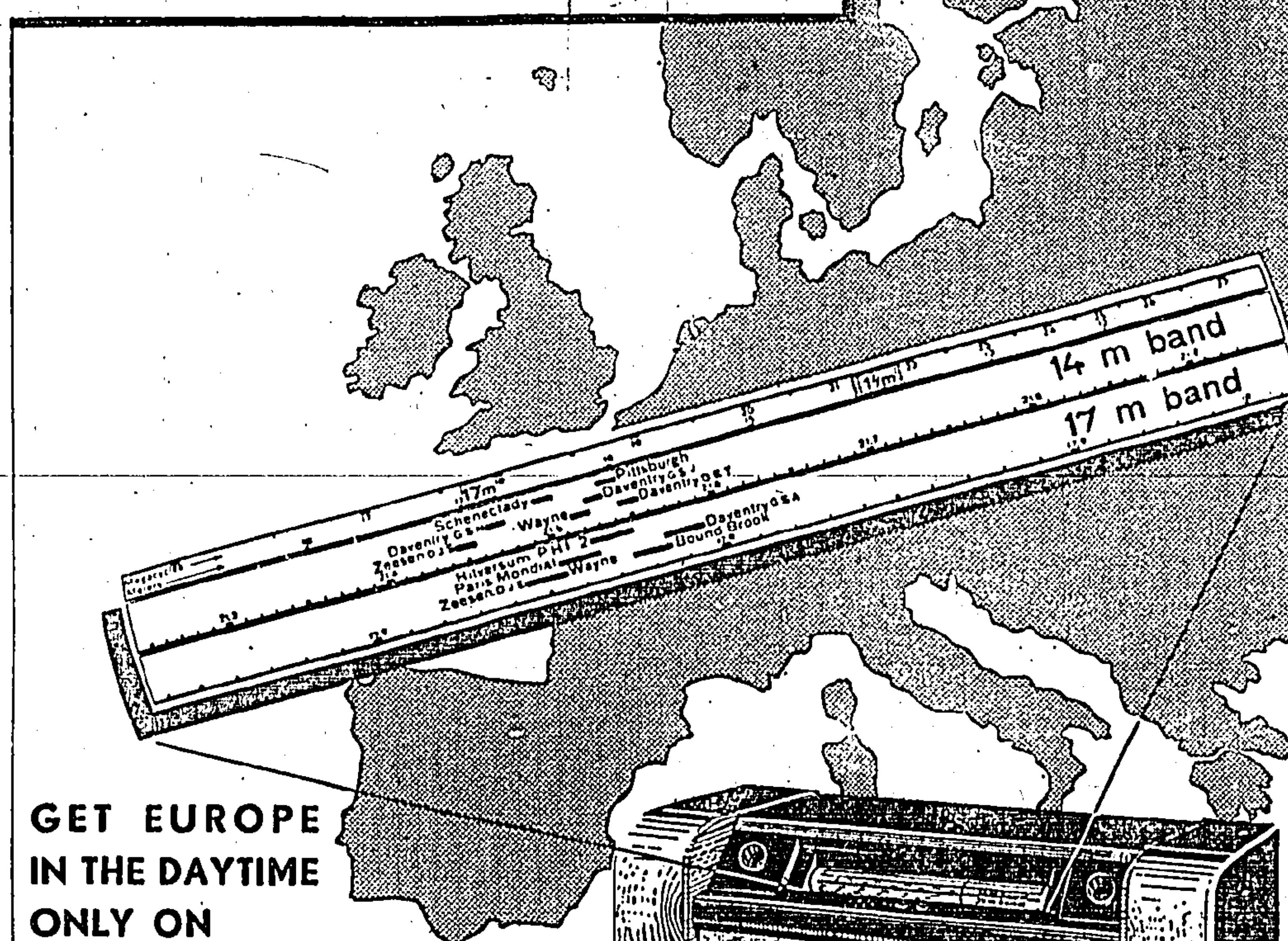
SILK LANDMARK

MT. PLEASANT, O.
A building in which the first American silk was grown has been ordered razed by the state fire marshal. Built in 1842 by John W. Gill, the structure served as a place for development of silk worm cocoons.



COLONEL WEARS A HAT—Here's Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, right, in an unusual situation. He's wearing a hat. Besides that fact, instead of boarding an airplane, he's going aboard the English Channel boat at Dover, England, to return to Paris, where he and his family live temporarily. The American airman has been studying European aviation.

THE NEWS OF THE HOUR



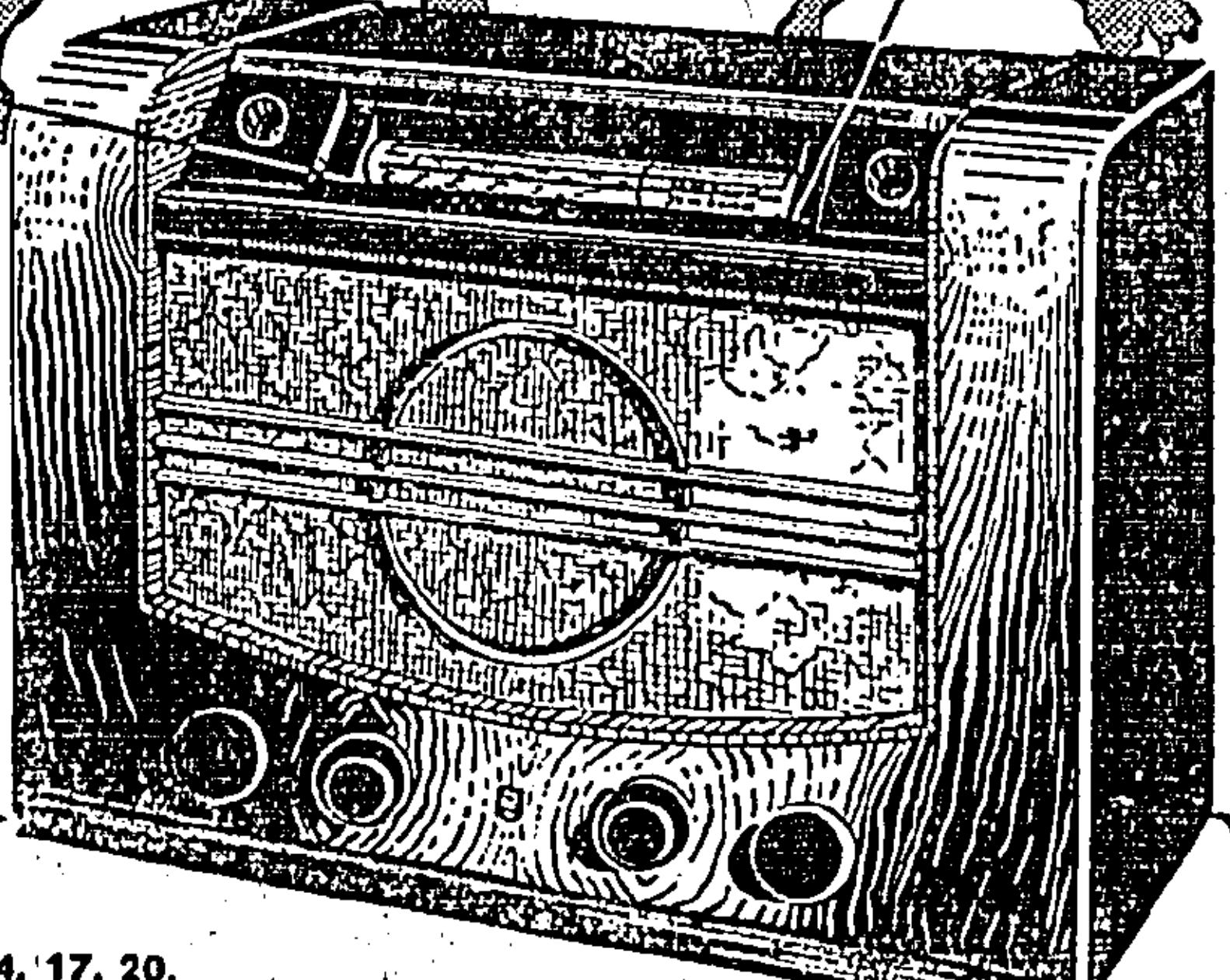
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(b) Celestial Song. Op. 2. No. 1 (Stefan Bergman.)
(c) Spring Night. (Schumann-Liszt.)
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The King Will Take His Crown To Canada

The Queen Will Wear Hers Too—With Koh-i-noor

Fashion Secrets Closely Kept

WHEN the King and Queen go to Canada in the spring it has been decided that they shall take royal crowns with them. This will be the first time in history that British Crown Jewels have crossed the Atlantic.

Most likely the crown to be taken by the King will be the Imperial State Crown, which has been altered to suit and which he has already worn three times.

It contains a pair of Queen Elizabeth's earrings and the romantic Stuart ruff 'n' ruffles, smuggled out of the country by James II, and restored to the Crown years afterwards.

The Queen's crown which she will take has the Koh-i-noor diamond set in it.

It is made of platinum and set entirely with diamonds. It has detachable arches so that it can be worn as an open coronet.

The Queen will be able to detach the Koh-i-noor from her crown and wear it on other occasions pinned to her dress.

SPECIALLY DESIGNED FOR THE QUEEN

An interesting tradition about this famous stone, and one always respected by the Royal Family, is that it must be worn only by a woman for fear of an ancient curse.

Tremendous efforts are being made both from Canada and the United States to penetrate the closely guarded secret of the dresses which have been specially designed for the Queen. As much as £1,000 has been offered for a model of one dress.

No details are to be made known until the Queen actually appears in them, but this much is hinted—they will launch new vogues.

The Queen will take fifty gowns and coats with her and a hat for each day ensemble. On some days she will wear three different outfits, and the crowded schedule demands that these changes shall be made with the maximum speed possible.

SO EFFECTIVE ON PARIS VISIT

Here is a forecast of the trends which the Queen's clothes will follow:—Colours will include no black, but some black and white, good

deal of the white, which proved so effective on the Paris visit, several shades of blue, which has been her favourite colour from girlhood, and pastel tints. Daytime lines will be based on neat defined waists, flared skirts and shorter trimmings.

"Garden-party" gowns will be introduced; some short sleeve to be worn with elbow-length gloves. For summer dresses modern designs are ruled out; natural flower patterns will be featured.

Hats, while actually fairly flat, will be built up in the crown to give an impression of height. This effect will be achieved partly by artificial flowers so natural that they could be mistaken for the real thing instead of by feather trimmings such as the Queen has been wearing lately.

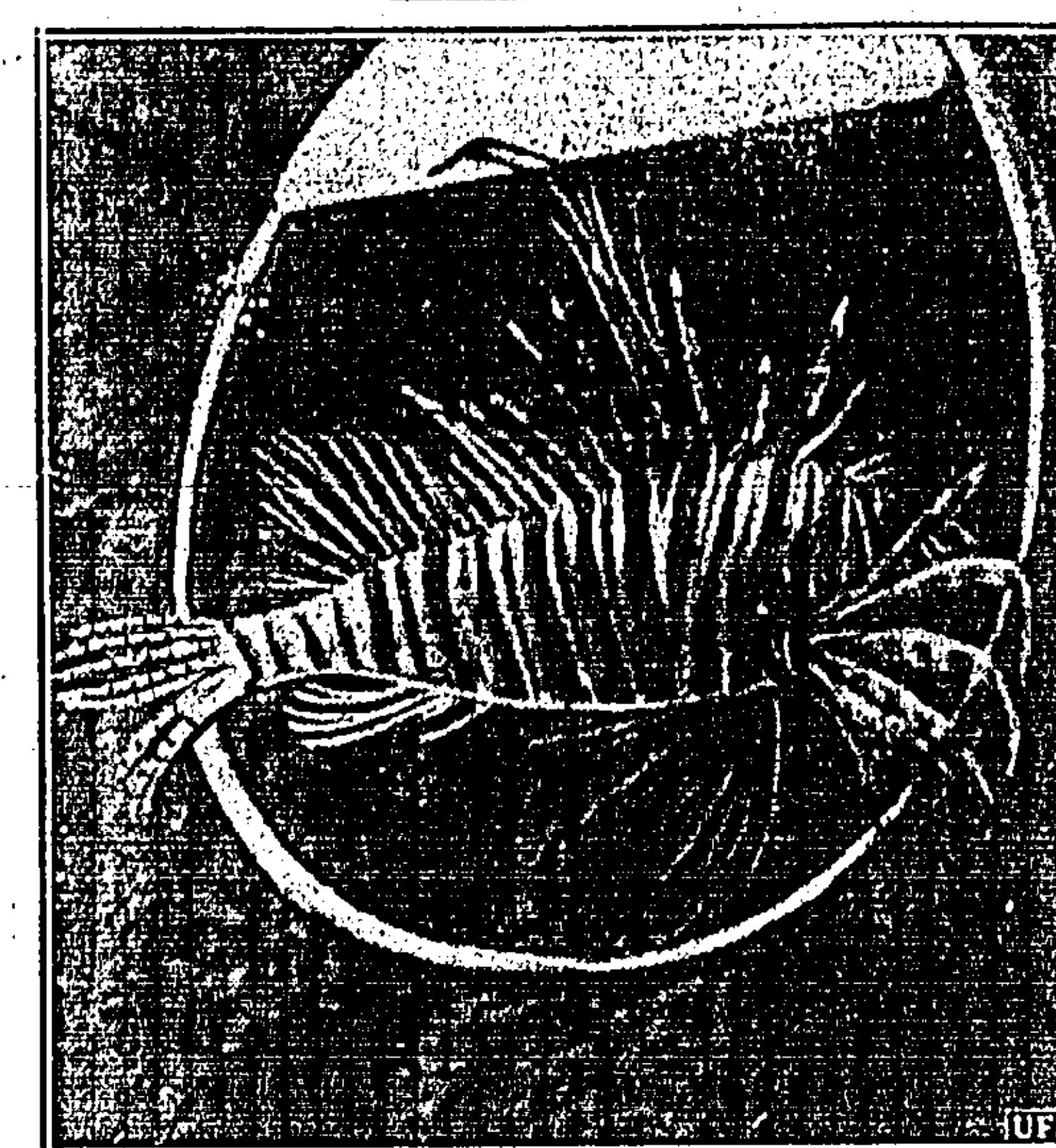
Trimming will be less in evidence than in the past, but the Queen will take with her several hand-some furs.

A marked difference is anticipated between the clothes designed for Canada and those to be worn in the U.S.A.

The reason for this is that Canadians have expressed the wish that their Queen shall look as "regal" as possible, while in the United States the King and Queen will be regarded as the head of a friendly State and his consort rather than state-visiting royalty.

TAX FREE GASOLINE

REGINA, Sask.—When motorists or truck drivers use purple gasoline for other than farm purposes, they are liable to have their cars or trucks impounded from six weeks to two months. The gasoline, purple in colour, is sold to farmers, tax free, for farm uses only.



FISH LEAPS LOOP—Dr. Mieczyslaw Oxner, Ichthyologist at Monte Carlo aquarium, asserts that fish have intelligence. To prove it, he exhibits a scorpion-fish, which he has trained to leap through a hoop, as above.

Girls Told Don't Wed Old Men

LONDON business girls, sitting in Christ Church, Westminster, S.W., recently, heard solemn warnings against:

UNSUCCESSFUL

Marrying men much older than themselves; Marrying foreigners; and Keeping on with their jobs after marriage.

The speaker was Mrs. Helena Norman, Britain's senior practising woman barrister. She is married to Mr. Gavin B. W. Clark (says "Who's Who"); but retains her maiden surname as her legal name.

The occasion a special lunch-hour address arranged by the Alliance of Honour.

EMPIRE NEWS

FLIER WHO SET UP A RECORD KILLED

Calcutta. Lt. Pulowsky, the German aviator who in December claimed to have set up a long-distance record by flying from Bengaluru (Trivello), to Gaya, Bihar, British India, was killed at Madras recently.

He was giving a demonstration flight with an Indian, Mr. Rathnam, as passenger, and the crash took place shortly after the plane had left the aerodrome. Mr. Rathnam died from his injuries.

Lt. Pulowsky and Lt. Jenett, his companion on the record flight, were returning to Berlin leisurely from Australia.

SANDBAGS.—The Indian Jute Mills Association states that it has no knowledge of a further large order for sandbags reported to have been given by Britain.

Congress and League.—A Congress resolution for India's immediate withdrawal from the League of Nations, because "the League had failed to implement the Sanctions article of the Covenant," and Britain had persisted in following a wrong policy in Palestine, was passed by the Legislative Assembly by 55 votes to 45.

India's membership of the League is a matter over which the Legislature under the present Constitution has no authority.—Reuter.

SOUTH AFRICA

LORD MARLEY ON HIS BANNED BROADCAST

Johannesburg. Lord Marley commented recently on the refusal of the South African Broadcasting Corporation to allow him to broadcast his address on "Refugees and the International Situation."

Anyone, he said, who read the statement he proposed to make with an open mind would agree that it was so concerned with the facts that it became a matter of public interest and was not in any sense a political commentary.

Defence Register.—Mr. Pirov, Minister of Defence, stated in the House of Assembly recently that his department was considering in what way the Defence Act could be supplemented by voluntary assistance. This would necessitate the establishment of special units.

AUSTRALIA

BRITAIN'S SHORTAGE OF SHIPS

Sydney. Earl Beatty stated in an interview recently, on his arrival from New Zealand, that Britain had 2,000 fewer merchant ships than she had in 1914. He doubted, he said, whether she had sufficient ships for her needs in two crises. The building up of the British Merchant Marine was an essential part of the Empire rearmament programme.

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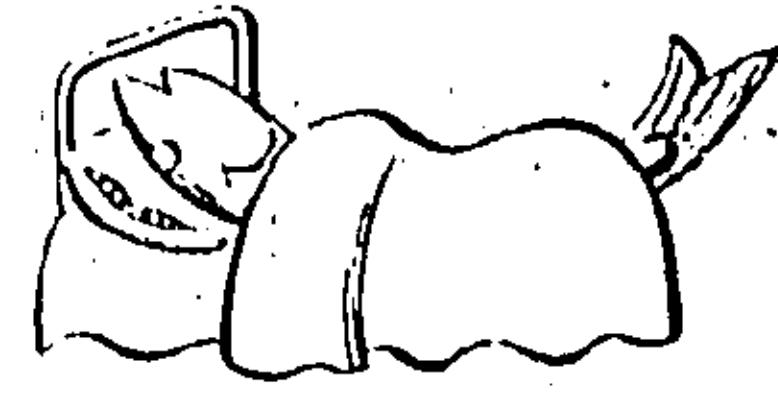
NEXT CHANGE at the KING'S

DO FISH SLEEP?

We are genuinely sorry for our goldfish. He has nowhere to lie down, except on the hard glass floor of his little bowl. And he yawns all day long, as if even the crispest ant's egg would bore him to tears.

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BRITAIN'S DEFENCE

Air Force Strength Deters Aggression

LONDON, Mar. 15. NATIONAL DEFENCE was the subject of an important speech by Lord Chatfield in the House of Lords to-day in his reply to the debate on this question.

He emphasised Mr. Chamberlain's recent declaration that our policy of defence did not mean that we did not intend to have both the will and the means to strike back if we were attacked.

There was a time when the problem of dealing with the bomber was regarded with something like despair; such a feeling was no longer justified; if ever it was.

Developments in recent years had undoubtedly reduced the old supremacy of the offensive over the defensive in air warfare, and he assured the House that none of the components of air defence was being neglected.

The strength of the fighting force was being extremely augmented, counter-offensive force had also been the subject of equally careful scrutiny, and measures to strengthen it were also actively in hand.

BEST IN WORLD

The latest types of bombers now being delivered to the airforce were believed to be the best in the world.

The Government is determined to build up counter-offensive forces of such a strength as they may, in conjunction with the fighter aircraft and batteries, deter an aggressor from attacking us at all, or if it should unfortunately fail to do this, will give us all the necessary means for attack as well as defence."

JACK TARS OF AIR

Lord Chatfield added: "I am convinced that just as we have been able over many centuries to rely confidently on our sailors to seek out and destroy the fleet of the enemy, so we shall be able in the future, with our airmen supported on the land by our soldiers, to defend similarly these islands from the air fleets of an aggressor."—Reuter.

ANGLO FRENCH CO-OPERATION

London, Mar. 15. Replying to questions, Mr. Geoffrey Shakespeare, Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty, declared in the House of Commons to-day that if Britain and France found themselves allied in any future war, it was contemplated that naval co-operation would be complete.

Conversations had already begun between the respective naval staffs, and were being continued.—Reuter.

Burglars Climb Scaffolding

A daring burglary occurred in the office of the China Plant-Oil Lamp Company, in the S. C. M. Post building in the early hours of this morning.

Entry was obtained by breaking the glass window, the burglars climbing scaffolding which has been erected for the purpose of renovating the building.

A quantity of radio apparatus and machine tools was stolen. The culprits used two waste-paper baskets to carry away the loot. The value of the stolen property has not yet been ascertained.

GERMANY ASKED TO EXPLAIN

(Continued from Page 1.)

military occupation of the whole of Czechoslovakia avoided last September. Munich might have had a great influence on the European situation, but its spirit died."—Reuter.

JAPANESE COMMENT

Tokyo, Mar. 15. The Japanese press interprets Germany's new move as another step in her drive East.

The newspaper "Asahi Shimbun" declares that "Stalin seriously miscalculated when, in his speech to the Communist Congress, he declared that Germany had changed her Eastern drive to a Western one. The menace will be most keenly felt by Poland and Rumania."—Reuter.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST HONG KONG

Two Free Lectures on Christian Science will be given on Thursday, 25th May and Saturday, 27th May next by Mr. Peter V. Ross, C.S.B. Detailed particulars will be published in due course.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of the Company, 2 Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on Monday, 27th March, 1939, at Noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1938.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from 16th to 27th March, 1939, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors.

E. COCK,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1939.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders

The Seventieth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the under-signed on Friday, the 24th March, 1939, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1938.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 10th to the 24th March, 1939, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.

General Managers,
The Hongkong Fire Insurance
Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1939.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY FRIDAY—17TH MARCH, 1939.

A wreath will be laid at the CENOTAPH by the President and Committee of St. Patrick's Society, at 11.00 a.m.

Members of the Society and their friends are asked to assemble under the verandah at the North side of the Supreme Court prior to the ceremony.

ST. PATRICK'S BALL PENINSULA HOTEL—9.30 p.m.

Members of St. Patrick's Society of Hong Kong and their guests are informed that there will be a Special FIVE MINUTES Service of "STAR" FERRIES from HONG KONG to KOWLOON between 9.00 p.m. and 9.30 p.m. on 17th March and SPECIAL FERRIES from KOWLOON to HONG KONG at 2.00 a.m., 2.45 a.m. and 3.15 a.m. on the following morning. The last ordinary Ferry leaves at 1.15 a.m.

A BUFFET SUPPER will be served from 11.30 p.m. to 1.30 a.m. Tables may be booked with the Management of the Peninsula Hotel before 7.00 p.m. on the night of the Ball.

Admission to the Ball is by ticket only which is to be presented at the MAIN ENTRANCE to the Hotel.

Tickets may be obtained from Mr. P. J. A. Hamilton, Hon. Treasurer, P.O. Box 417 or Harbour View Hotel, Chatham Road, Kowloon.

H. H. C. HALLOWES,
Hon. Secretary,
St. Patrick's Society of Hong Kong,
P.O. Box 417.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders

THE FIFTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on THURSDAY, 23rd MARCH, 1939, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 13th March, 1939, to THURSDAY, the 23rd March, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary and Manager.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1939.

G. R.

1939-1940.

Sealed Tenders will be received at the Royal Naval Hospital, until 10 a.m. on the 21st March, 1939, from persons desirous of supplying Beef, Mutton, Fowls, Pork, Cheese, Pure Cow's Milk, Ice, and other provisions and necessaries, for the year ending 31st March, 1940.

Printed Forms of Tender and further particulars can be obtained at the Royal Naval Hospital.

The right to reject the lowest or any tender is reserved.

G. V. HOBBS,
Surgeon Captain,
Medical Officer in Charge,
Royal Naval Hospital,
Hong Kong.
15th March, 1939.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS

of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 20th day of March, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Ngau Shi Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements N. S. feet E. feet W. feet as per sale plan.	Contents in sq. feet Annual Rental \$1,200	Upset Price \$16,000
1 New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2659.	New Kowloon Inland Adjoining New Kowloon Inland, No. 501 Wing St., Cheung Shi Wan.			
3 New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2661.	New Kowloon Inland Adjoining Lot No. 1482, Tin Kin St. between Castle Peak Rd. & Un Chan St., Peak Cheung Shi Wan.			
4 New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2661.	New Kowloon Inland Tin Kin St. between Castle Peak Cheung Shi Wan.			

without interruption. Everyone must remain at his post.

"Orders of the German military authorities and of the head of the civil administration acting on my behalf must be strictly obeyed in the interest alike of the community as a whole and of individuals.—Trans-Ocean.

ANTI-GERMAN DEMONSTRATIONS

Belgrade, Mar. 15. Continuous anti-German demonstrations took place in the Terazin, which is the main street in Belgrade to-night.

Crowds, singing national songs, marched towards the police, with cries of "Long live the King, the Army, and Czechoslovakia."—Reuter.

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PRUNES AND RAISINS

San Jose, Cal.
California always has an excess production of prunes and welcomes any suggestion that will dispose of them. The last one comes from the California Dried Fruit Research Bureau, which has found that chopped prunes improve the texture and richness of mincemeat, without however, reducing the amount of raisins—as California also has raisins to sell.

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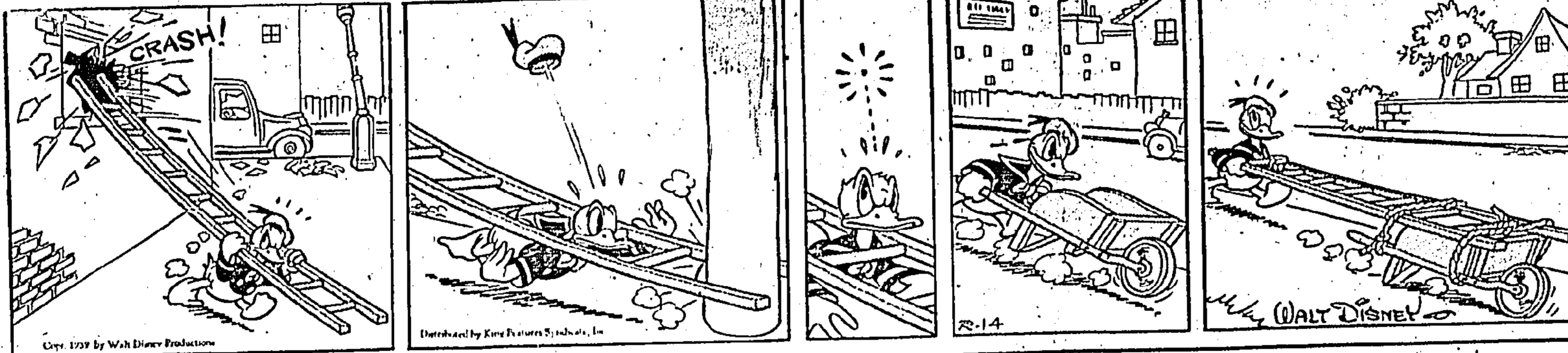
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SORDID CASE CONCLUDES

Prosecution Fails To Prove Control Over American Girl

Chan Fa-yuen, 52, married woman, of Possession Street, was discharged at the Central Magistracy yesterday by Mr. R. Edwards who delivered judgment on a charge that she had exercised control over a 16-year old American-born girl, Helen Wong, or Tam, knowing that the latter was a prostitute.

Another woman who had been arraigned on a charge in connection with the same case was discharged on Monday.

Delivering judgment, His Worship said: At the outset I wish to say that I consider it unfortunate that the defendant should not have had the advantage of legal representation, for the case has proved to be one of some complexity, and had defendant been represented, I should have departed from normal procedure and invited Mr. Williams to address the Court again at the end of the hearing.

The charge against the defendant is in connection with an offence with which only a female defendant can be charged, and it differs in its wording from the somewhat similar offence capable of being committed only by a male, of knowingly living, wholly or in part, on the earnings of prostitution. We have to consider what the words "control, direction or influence" mean. As to control and "direction" there is not, I think, much difficulty. "Control" is defined in the Concise Oxford Dictionary as "power of directing," "command," "restraint"; and the verb "to direct" as "control," "govern the movements of," "guide" or "order." "Influence" is defined as "action insensibly exercised over," "ascendancy," "moral power over," and I think the ordinary man would say that ordinarily "influence" meant something wider and vaguer than "control and direction." It is important to consider its meaning here; for if its meaning is in any important degree different from "control and direction," as e.g., "compelling" is different from "aiding and abetting," then the charge as it stands will be cast for duplicity. In the wider sense of the word, a man can doubtless be said to exercise an influence upon another by a mere omission to give a warning to him not to do some particular act, or in other ways less discernible than that. But I consider that the law cannot make any such negative influence criminal and that by "influence" here is meant something positive, a positive ascendancy, *cisdom* generally, with control and direction, and therefore there is no duplicity in the charge.

Perfectly Proper

The charge relates to one day, January 20, only, as indeed is perfectly proper, and the evidence of the prosecution as far as it concerns this defendant relates almost entirely to January 20, this again is perfectly proper, though it is to be observed that the prosecution were entitled to support the charge by evidence concerning the relations between defendant and the girl Tam on other days. What then is the evidence of what happened on January 20? "Mr. X" is heard to say that he was given evidence that, in response to a telephone call by him which was answered by a woman's voice (the voice was admitted by defendant to be hers) saying that she would bring the girl over, the girl Tam came to his room accompanied by defendant that the girl left the room for a while, during which time the defendant asked for and was paid \$1, consisting of \$10 "feal fee" and \$1 "rickshaw fee," that the defendant then left the room and the girl came in. The girl apparently stayed some time and told the witness her history. Then on the following evening, the same girl had appeared again in answer to a telephone call, the room from which she had come was raided and the defendant found there together with a man and two or three girls.

This evidence conflicts in certain details with the evidence given by the girl herself, and is completely denied by defendant, and as regards the fact of her answering the telephone and her presence in the room. But having seen all three in the box, I am fully satisfied that the evidence given by "Mr. X" is the truth.

A Reluctant Witness

Coming now to the girl's evidence, I am bound to observe that she was clearly very reluctant witness and was not telling the truth in many particulars. The prosecution have my sympathy. But I cannot allow this on which I feel some doubt, but which my discharge of the defendant for the reason given above makes it unnecessary for me to decide. It was the case for the prosecution that the girl did not act of prostitution with "Mr. X" on January 20. Can the defendant then be charged with exercising control then be charged with having been in police custody in order to allow him to find the money.

something which never took place? I have been unable to trace a case directly in point. But in *Augusta da Munc* 13 Cr.A.R. 113 the question was raised whether a conviction could be sustained when the evidence negatived normal sexual connection. Mr. Justice Darling held that ordinary sexual connection was not necessary, but it was clear from his judgment that there was ample evidence in that case to have satisfied the jury that there had been lewd conduct between the girl and the man. Here, on the contrary, the evidence is that there was in fact whatever the defendant ought to have expected—no such lewd conduct or act of prostitution at all. If the case had depended on this single point of law, I should have invited Crown Counsel to address me on the point before giving my decision, but the point, as I have said, no longer arises.

CHARITY CONCERT In Aid of Dependents Of Lance-Sergt. Thompson

The organisers of the Charity Concert, held in the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel on January 27, for the dependents of the late Lance-Sergt. W. Thompson, R.A., wish to thank the following for their valuable assistance:

For donations, etc.—R. R. Mess, Kowloon; R.N., W.T., Station, Stonecutters, Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Co., Mr. Abu Khan, Mr. Arculli, Mohammed Din Brothers, Fat Wo Compradore, Rev. Staunton, Rev. Winstanley, Mrs. Trimmer, Mr. Jarvis, Mr. L. M. Riggart—Wood (Florist), Royal Artillery Association, P.R.I. 8th Heavy Regiment, R.A. Garrison Charities, B.M., E.A. Walsh, All ranks "X" Heavy Battery H.K.S.R.A., All ranks 12th Heavy Battery R.A., All ranks HQ, 8th Heavy Regiment, Prison Staff, Dodwell and Co., Mrs. Short, R.A.A., London.

Also numerous donors of wearing apparel and numerous firms for gifts and free service.

For their services—Capt. Clement Moody, R.N., H.M.S. Eagle, for services of the Band; Bandmaster Every, R.N.M., and Band of H.M.S. Eagle; "The Harmony Three" (Florence, Harvey, and Davis); Mrs. F. Wildon, Miss Alice Oakenfull, Miss Eva Turner, Miss Helen Lockhart, Mr. David Knott, Miss Jean Greg, Q.M.S., and Mrs. Flinter, Mr. P. Guntrip, Miss Dorcas Ma C.P.O. Kettle, Mr. Gordon D'Aquino, Mr. W. H. Higgins, Mr. J. J. Rees, Mr. B. Westhead, Capt. Reach, Mr. Bud Wheeler, Mr. M. Malny, Pietro Macroura, Col. Green and partner, B.Q.M. Dicks, Mr. A. R. Colquhoun, R.A., Miss G. Pollard, Miss Gwen Nicholson, Mr. A. Austin (W.O.1.), A.E.C., and Mr. E. O'Neill Shaw.

FARMER VICTIMISED Landing Money Snatched By Bogus Policeman

The story of how a farmer was robbed of \$30 in Chinese currency shortly after he had arrived from Macao, by a man who pretended to be a policeman, was told to Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy yesterday, when Li Chik-wan, unemployed, was charged with impersonating the police, and larceny of \$30 Chinese currency, in Ko Shing Street on Tuesday.

Sub-inspector J. O'Donovan said complainant had arrived by the *Shing On* from Macao on Tuesday morning, and had shown the necessary to the police being allowed to land. Defendant saw this, and followed the man to Ko Shing Street, where he posed as a policeman, and asked to see the money. This was produced, and defendant snatched it and started to run away.

Whistles were blown, and defendant was chased and arrested by the police. The money was not found on him, and it is presumed that it was passed on to other members of a gang.

There is the further point in this case on which I feel some doubt, but which my discharge of the defendant for the reason given above makes it unnecessary for me to decide. It was the case for the prosecution that the girl did no act of prostitution with "Mr. X" on January 20. Can the defendant then be charged with having been in police custody in order to allow him to find the money.

MISSING PLANE FOUND

Eurasia Machine In Mountains

Chungking, Mar. 15. Despite exhaustive inquiries and searches by planes from Chungking, Kunming and Kweliang, the missing Eurasia Junkers passenger machine was still not located this morning.

It has now been established that the machine carried a crew of four and four passengers, two of whom boarded the machine at Chengtu and two at Chungking. The crew comprised the pilot, co-pilot, wireless operator and mechanic. All were Chinese.

The mishap occurred at 4 p.m. on Sunday, when the last distress message from the plane was received. The machine is believed to have made a forced landing in the mountains south of Sufu, which is north of Hsuanchen.

It is estimated that it will take at least from three to five days before the survivors can reach the nearest telegraph office. —Reuter.

No Details

Chungking, Mar. 15. The missing plane has been located near the town of Weining in west Kweichow. The pilot is reported to have been wounded.

Aside from a crew of four, the plane carried only four passengers.

The cause for the mishap, it is stated, was adverse atmospheric conditions, but details of the mishap are still lacking. —Central News.

Still Not Contacted

Chungking, Mar. 15. "Communication 1," twin-motored German Junkers plane which has been missing since March 12, was located at 2 p.m. today by a searching plane in the mountainous valley of Weining, 160 miles north of Kunming. The searching plane is still not in direct contact with the plane aboard, but it is learned that the plane was slightly damaged to the extent of the wireless set being out-of-order.

Two unidentified occupants of the plane were hurt and the Chinese pilot, Ho Shou-jung, had his right leg injured, but he still can walk and is attempting to reach the nearest telegraph office to send a message to the Ministry. So far there is no information that anyone on board the plane has been killed. —United Press.

DELPHINUS ARRIVES

The Imperial Airways' *Delphinus*, which was slightly damaged at Udon last week, arrived from Bangkok at 5:45 p.m. yesterday with 30 kilos of Australian mail and three passengers, Mrs. Cowen, Mr. R. C. Ford and Mr. Harbans Singh. Mrs. Cowen is on a pleasure trip and the other two passengers are here on business.

There were no English mails because of delay caused by bad weather at Southampton, but these will arrive to-day on board the *Denbola*.

According to Capt. L. J. R. White, the trip was not at all pleasant, there being strong head winds throughout.

AIR SERVICES

Arrivals and Departures
Of Planes

Outward

For London, Australia, British Countries and Europe: Imperial Airways 7 a.m., 17 Imperial Airways 7 a.m., March 21.

For U.S.A., via Manila, Guam, Honolulu, Philippine Clipper, 8:30 a.m., March 18.

For Chungking Sian, etc. Eurasia and C.N.A.C. service indefinite.

For France, via Hanoi: Air France 6:30 a.m., March 18.

Inward

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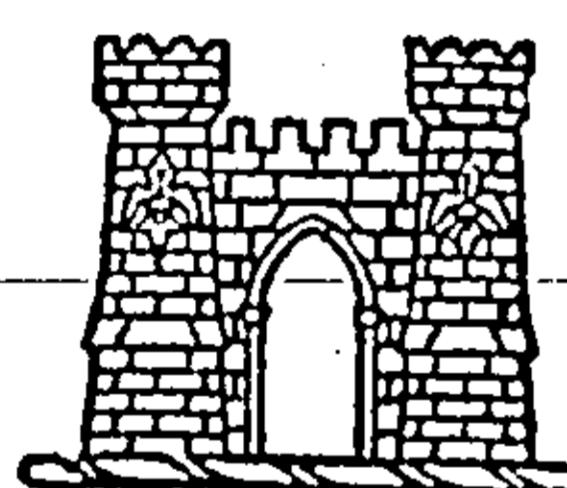
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THE FULL RESULTS of what happened at Munich are now manifest. They confirm fears expressed at the time. Czechoslovakia is now what Hitler set out to make it—part of the Greater Reich.

The unfortunate Republic, born of the Great War, may be likened to a human corpse. The arms were amputated in September, the head is now severed and becomes a German trophy; Hungary takes the Ruthenian legs. There remains but the torso of Slovakia, which becomes, in all but name, a vassal State of Germany.

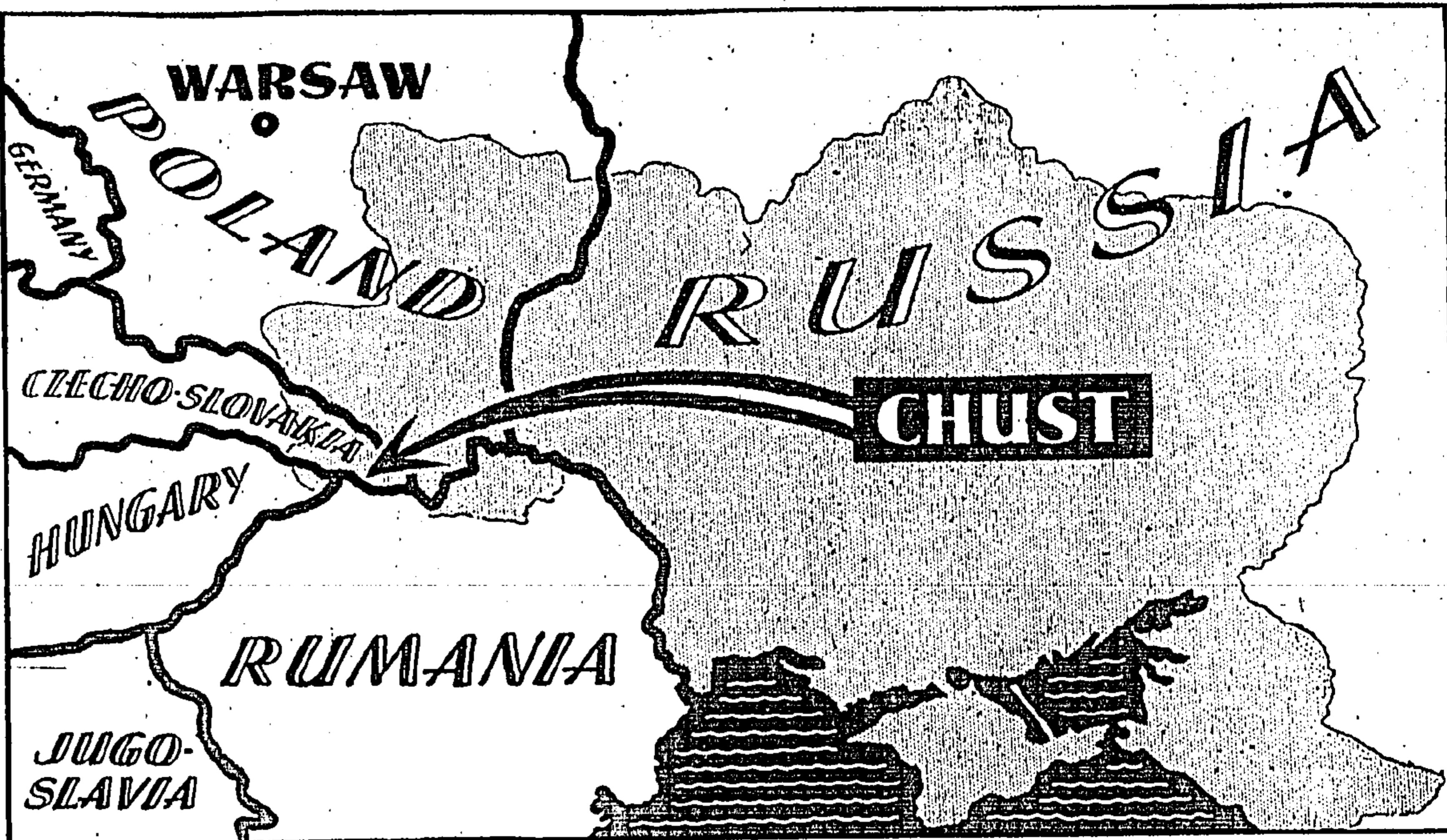
In accepting the "advice" of Great Britain and France in September last, Czechoslovakia sealed her fate. True, there would have been war—a war on a terrifying scale into which the whole of Europe would have been dragged—but Czechoslovakia, in the light of subsequent events, could hardly have been the loser. Like Belgium in 1914 she would have paid dearly in the blood of her patriots, but she would have gained honour and freedom for her children. Out of Belgium's sorrow and torment of the four years of Great War emerged a country free and unshackled, honoured by the democracies of the world for the part she played in defending Right against Might and, indeed, defended by those democracies for her steadfast resolution to uphold her integrity.

The events of the past six months have been planned and consummated by Germany with almost diabolical ease. There is no doubt but that war would have come to Europe had Herr Hitler attempted to fulfil his territorial ambitions in Czechoslovakia in one fell swoop. There was firstly the Godesburg Agreement, announced at the extreme limit of concession to which Mr. Chamberlain and M. Daladier acquiesced in the extra grab. Yesterday's events were a natural sequel predicted to the very date by newspaper correspondents who, only two days ago, were chided by Lord Halifax for spreading "sensational and inaccurate forecasts of events about to take place in Europe."

They then set up a "Ukrainian Information Office" and carried on anti-Russian activities. When the Tsar collapsed and the Bolsheviks came to power, these Ukrainians "separatists" thought their moment had come. They formed an "Association for the Liberation of the Ukraine and the Destruction of Russia," moved into Russo-Ukrainian territory, elected a Central Committee in Kiev and proclaimed the independence of the Ukraine.

They had the support of many revolutionary, anti-Bolshevik elements. Naturally the Soviets did not want to lose the rich wheatfields of the Ukraine. They fought back, but were repulsed by invading German and Austrian troops, who protected the independent Ukraine and supported the first Hetman (Leader), Skoropadski, a Cossack general.

You cannot read the news about Czechoslovakia without feeling that dirty taste in your mouth.



Village all Europe is watching

A complete military and political organisation was built up. Officers and men were given uniforms. These resemble the German storm-troop uniforms, but are grey-blue in colour instead of brown. The Ukrainian Stormtroops are called Slez Guards (Sharp-shooters).

For years Zielenzki has carried on his work, building up this organisation. At first he worked in secret, because Germany and Poland were supposed to be on good terms with one another.

Now he has come out in the open with his men. They were put to official use for the first time after the Munich agreement. In Carpatho-Ukraine Slez Guards do police duty to-day.

Now you see why Hitler has insisted on an autonomous Ukrainian State. Chust is to be the spring-board of future Ukrainian developments. Zielenzki has moved his Central Committee to Chust. Supported and financed from Germany, he is the man chosen to lead the Ukrainian movement.

He takes his orders from Hitler. And Hitler, following his old practice, has appointed a Commissioner for the Ukraine with headquarters in Berlin. He is Nikolai Suschko, a former officer in Petljura's army.

What is the point of the Berlin Bureau? and of the Central Committee in Chust? What does Hitler want them to do?

For the time being terrorist bands are being organised and armed. These bands are raiding Polish and Russian territory.

Already several battles have taken place. The flags carried by the bands are blue and gold, like the ones that fly above Zielenzki's office.

Emissaries of Zielenzki stir up trouble in the Ukrainian parts of Poland, goading on the people to demand autonomy for the Polish Ukraine.

The Polish authorities are fighting the terrorists, but the story of Austria and the Sudetenland shows how difficult it is to stamp out such movements. The Slez Guards stick to the tactics used by the illegal stormtroops in all the countries where Hitler has planted them.

But Hungary remembers that what is now Carpatho-Ukraine was once part of Hungary. And Hungarians know how to conduct underground fighting just as well as the Germans.

War Of The Brigands

There is close friendship between Hungary and Germany just now. So the fight is waged out of sight legally, both parties supporting and financing their brigands and agents on the quiet.

Hungary has had her agents in Carpatho-Ukraine for some time. Some years ago I met one of the most distinguished Czech journalists in Vienna. He was introduced to me as the Editor of a Ruthenian paper, "Rusnka Pravda."

He came to Vienna frequently, and later I learned that he was the principal fighter for Ukrainian independence, highly esteemed by his fellow Ukrainians scattered in various countries.

He had done much to strengthen Ukrainian feeling in Czechoslovakia, in Poland and in Russia. If ever the dream of an independent Ukrainian State should come true, he would be its first Premier. His name was Alexandre Brody.

I met him again later, and one day walked with him through the streets of Vienna, accompanying him to the Bankasse. Suddenly he said goodbye and went on alone. I saw him enter the building of the Hungarian Legation.

Not until recently, I must confess, did I realise that Brody's Hungarian relations had a deep importance.

After the Munich agreement, when Ruthenia was declared an autonomous State within the new Czechoslovakia, the first Premier of this "Carpatho-Ukraine" was—Alexander Brody.

Brody went to Prague to confer with the Czech Premier, Srovy. He made surprising demands: a plebiscite must be held in Carpatho-Ukraine, so that the population could decide its own fate. There was no doubt that such a plebiscite would result in a vote—not for Czechoslovakia, but for Hungary.

Srovy jumped to his feet angrily. Brody, he shouted, was a traitor to the new Czechoslovakia. "Get out" (Continued on Page 11.)

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichy



The first dress I try on you like and want me to buy—Well! You certainly don't know much about shopping, Wilbur!

OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

RUTHENIAN PREMIER IN FLIGHT

Prague, Mar. 15. The new Ruthenian Cabinet headed by M. Volosin as Premier has fled to Rumania. A message from Chast, capital of Ruthenia, quoted a semi-official Hungarian news agency "is saying that M. Volosin during the flight was wounded. In a clash between the population and his escort, in which there were many casualties."

Some of the populace in Ruthenia are reported to have fled to Rumania, fearing anarchy.

In view of the important reservation in Prague's reply to Hungary, the latter has taken the view that it is entitled to take the necessary steps to protect its nationals and hence crossed the frontier at several points.—Reuter.

Reply to Ultimatum

Budapest, Mar. 15. The Czech Ambassador in Budapest submitted to the Hungarian Government last night, four hours before the 12-hour ultimatum expired, the reply, couched in polite terms, the Prague Government undertakes to respect the life and property of the Hungarian minority population and of those Carpatho-Ukrainians who openly express their sympathies for Hungary, but the most important Hungarian demand was not yielded by the Prague Government which informed Hungary that Czech troops would evacuate Carpatho-Russia but refuses to consent to the Hungarian demand for the arming of Hungarian self-defence organizations in Carpatho-Russia. The Hungarian authorities here declare that in last few hours a large number new reports have again been received from Carpatho-Russia on additional serious Czech offences and acts of terrorism committed against the Hungarian minority and concerning the serious situation prevailing along the frontier. The Hungarian Government must, therefore, ascertain that the so-called Carpatho-Russian Government is incapable or unwilling to maintain order. Consequently the Hungarian Government is forced to take the initiative in order to comply with the demands of the Hungarians living in Carpatho-Russia.—Trans-Ocean.

To Cross the Border

Budapest, Mar. 15. Failing a satisfactory reply to its ultimatum to Prague, Hungary has decided to send its troops into the Carpatho-Ukraine for the purpose of protecting its own nationals.

Hungary's security is at stake, the Budapest newspapers this morning, as long as the problem of Carpatho-Ukraine has not found a final settlement. The great bulk of the inhabitants living in the fertile valleys of the Carpathian mountains long for reunion with the motherland, which alone is able to absorb their products.

Hungary can no longer remain inactive in the face of acts of violence perpetrated on her nationals across the border, declares Pester Lloyd.

The disbanded Czech forces are becoming a danger to the frontier.

The soil of Carpatho-Ukraine with its wealth of natural resources will furnish existence for 10,000,000 Hungarians.—Trans-Ocean.

Invasion Near Completion

Budapest, Mar. 15. The ultimatum to Ruthenia gives until 8 p.m. for Volosin to surrender all authority. Hungary claims to have received an appeal for aid from the Central National Committee of Ruthenia, asking Hungary to intervene and restore order.

Hungarian troops, advancing through Ruthenia, are reported to have reached a point 12 miles from the Polish border. They expect to join hands with the Poles at 8 p.m. (G.M.T.).

An unconfirmed report states that Volosin has appealed to Hitler for help against the Hungarians.—Reuter.

Brush With Slovaks

Budapest, Mar. 15. Invasion of part of east Slovakia by Hungarian troops has elicited a reply from the Slovak War Minister M. Gatoš, in the shape of a decree ordering the mobilisation of the youngest five classes in that region. Hungarian circles here believe, however, that the troops who are marching into Carpatho-Ukraine only accidentally crossed the Slovak frontier at a few places, and that efforts are already being made to bring about a friendly settlement of the incidents.

Hungarian troops have already occupied 30 Ukrainian villages, according to despatches received here, and they are now standing before Baschut. The despatches add, however, that the population assumed a very hostile attitude towards the Hungarians and succeeded in retaking several villages.

The struggle against Hungary is stated to be organised by the military organisation of the Carpatho-Ukrainian Nationalist Party. This organisation is said to count 10,000 men under the command of Police Major Bilek.

Other unconfirmed reports received here assert that Polish troops have entered the Zips district in north-east Slovakia.—Trans-Ocean.

Slovakian Preparations

Paris, Mar. 15. Five classes of the Hlinka Guard reservists have been called up by Dr. Tiso, according to a message from Bratislava, in order to secure the integrity of Slovakia's frontiers. This step is reported to have been taken because the Hungarians in the course of occupation of Carpatho-Ukraine crossed the Slovak frontier near Sobrance.—Reuter Special.

GERMAN TROOPS IN PRAGUE: SAD CITY JEERS AT INVADERS: HUNGARY'S MOVE

German troops have practically completed the occupation of Czech territory following a meeting between the Czech leaders and Herr Hitler in Berlin. After the conversations it was announced that Nazi troops would march into Czech-Slovakia to secure the life and property of all residents. President Hacha has given orders that the march must not be resisted.

The dismemberment of Czech-Slovakia became complete when Slovakia declared its independence together with Ruthenia where a new cabinet was chosen with the whole of the country in the hands of Ukrainska.

As German troops entered Prague the Czechs clearly showed their hatred of the new regime and a fall of gloom has been cast over the former Czech capital which is now expected to become but a provincial headquarters of the German Reich.

Herr Hitler himself is on his way to Czech-Slovakia to take part in the ceremony of occupation, which up to now has been carried out without any serious clashes.

Hungary has practically completed the occupation of Carpathia and now has a common border with Poland, while both Poland and Rumania are taking no action, though evincing great interest.

Bratislava Calm

Bratislava, Mar. 15. A complete calm prevailed here this morning; when the people first read in the papers the text of Dr. Tiso's proclamation of the previous day announcing the independence of Slovakia. No reactions either positive or negative are so far noticeable, and the inhabitants are going about their work without giving audible expression to their views or feelings.—Trans-Ocean.

German Troops Coming

Bratislava, Mar. 15. Uncontrollable rumours were circulating through the city that Hungarian and also German troops were expected to march into Bratislava during last night or in the early hours of this morning. The aspect of the streets was still unchanged at midday. The German troops who marched through the towns and villages in northern Slovakia are said to have passed Sillein, according to reports published to-day in the Pressburg.—Trans-Ocean.

PRAGUE ENTERED

Prague, Mar. 15. The Czech Government has instructed General Prchal to discuss the necessary measures with the Ruthenian authorities. At the same time it is reported from Ukrainian quarters that General Prchal has left Chast. It is rumoured that the General fled to Rumania.

The Carpatho-Ukrainian Government has convoked the Diet for today in order to put the *anschluss* to Hungary to the vote.

Aviators Warned

Berlin, Mar. 15. Field Marshal Goering to-day issued a decree that an area over the Czech State territory west of the line Pressburg-Muehrisch-Ostrau has been declared a danger zone, and that aviators are warned not to fly over it.

A further decree was issued declaring the close of the air zone district from Rauter via Dresden to Regensburg.—Trans-Ocean.

GERMAN TROOPS HISSED IN PRAGUE STREETS

Prague, Mar. 15. Nazi troops have imposed on 8 p.m. curfew, fearing an outbreak of popular hatred would lead to rioting. In addition to currying ordinary arms, it is reported that machine guns were mounted by the soldiers at strategic points to enable command of the crowds.

Motor cycle companies comprising the vanguard of the main German column thundered, without meeting any resistance, into the centre of Prague. Roughly 5,000 persons were massed so closely at the bottom of Wenceslaus Square that the German motor cycle units could not pass.

The crowd spontaneously burst into the Czech national anthem. Entry was effected by a scout force consisting of cyclists followed by motor cyclists and anti-tank guns. The cyclists were armed with rifles slung over their shoulders as well as light machine guns. They crossed the border near the town of Melnik, 20 miles from Prague, in a blinding snowstorm shortly before 8 a.m. Melnik is the nearest front to Prague. Military planes, believed to be German, appeared over Prague at 8.30 a.m.

The crowd in Wenceslaus Square hissed the German troops, many giving the balled-fist Communist salute, while the Germans gave Hitler salute and threw little bouquets of violets. Simultaneously with the entry of the troops the snowstorm ceased and the sun broke through the clouds.

Fist fights broke out, they were subdued by the police. At 8 a.m. sound trucks of Czech-Slovakia announced, "German soldiers have occupied our Fatherland," by perfect quiet and no unwarranted acts. Maintain calmness when you see the авансир, as it will be raised over the city." A policeman in the street outside the city hall directed traffic, blinded with tears.

The soldiers meanwhile, openly and unchallenged with swastika arm bands, walked the streets. The German flag appeared on scattered private houses.

The city's activities, like tramcar traffic, and snow sweepers, were normal, but crowds jammed the travel bureaus which were unable to offer any hope of exodus. One train left for Paris at 10 a.m., but nobody knew whether it would get through.

Spelling Bee

How many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?

hob-knob knight-errant
nick-nack mucilzine
English Oxford Dictionary spellings of these words will be found on page 9.

RUMANIA ACTS: No Invasion Planned

Bucharest, Mar. 15. It is reported that King Carol has ordered Rumanian troops to reinforce the 150 miles of border on the Carpatho-Ukraine as a precautionary measure.—United Press.

Government Attitude

Bucharest, Mar. 15. Rumania is following the events in Czech-Slovakia with the closest attention. A semi-official statement issued this morning expressed the hope that a final and equitable settlement will remove once and for all the centre of dangerous unrest in the heart of Europe.—Trans-Ocean.

No Invasion By Rumania

Bucharest, Mar. 15. It was denied here that Rumanian troops had crossed into Carpatho-Ukraine.—Reuter's Bulletin.

Calm Attitude

Bucharest, Mar. 15. King Carol had a long conference yesterday afternoon with M. Gafencu. No special military precautions are considered necessary and the general attitude in Rumania is calm.

It is stated that Rumania will not interfere with the move to establish a common Hungaro-Polish frontier.

State To-morrow

Berlin, Mar. 15. Mr. Neville Chamberlain is expected to make a statement in the House of Commons to-day regarding Britain's position in connection with the events in Central Europe.

The introduction of the Navy estimates which was scheduled to be discussed in the Commons to-day has been postponed until to-morrow.

The Cabinet met this morning and it is understood discussed the European situation. The British Ambassador in Berlin has been instructed to approach the German Government regarding the events in Czechoslovakia.—Reuter's Bulletin.

No Troop Movements

Berlin, Mar. 15. A Government spokesman, M. Tetanus, officially denied that Rumanian troops had crossed into Ruthenia's frontier into Ruthenia's territory.

Simultaneously he reported that the Ruthenian Premier, Father Volosin, had entered Rumania.

Foreign experts are unanimously of the opinion that it is highly improbable that Rumania will undertake military steps in Ruthenia which would carry great risks for her.

United Press.

Occupation Continues

Berlin, Mar. 15. The Army High Command announced that General Blatikowitch's infantry reached Prague at 10 a.m. It is also announced that German troops have occupied Plzen and Olmec despite the snow and icy streets.

The occupation of Maehrisch-Ostrau and Wittowitz on Tuesday afternoon has been confirmed.—United Press.

Hitler to Join Troops

Berlin, Mar. 15.

Herr Hitler, who left Berlin early to-day, is joining the German troops advancing into Bohemia and Moravia.

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Part of History

Berlin, Mar. 15.

Herr Hitler's assumption of a protectorate over Bohemia and Moravia means the end of the existence of the Czech State as such, although a certain degree of autonomy will be granted to the Czechs, with perhaps loose reform of the local Government centred at Prague. Otherwise the country will be under the complete domination of Germany and all intentions and purposes will be a simple provincial part of the Reich, sharing the Reich economic and political fortunes.

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The increasing German influence in Hungary makes it obviously felt by the Nazis also on a fulfilment of the historical part, and it is regarded as certain that one day the territories lost to Poland after the war will be recovered.—Reuter's Bulletin.

Royal Salute Fired

Cairo, Mar. 15.

A Royal salute announced to the waiting citizens that the wedding contract had been signed at Abdine Palace.

King Farouk and the Crown Prince of Iran to-day signed the contract for the marriage between the latter and Princess Fawzia. According to Moslem custom, the bride was not present.

Celebrations are taking place, lasting three days, and another ceremony will be held when the Crown Prince and his bride return to Teheran.—Reuter's Bulletin.

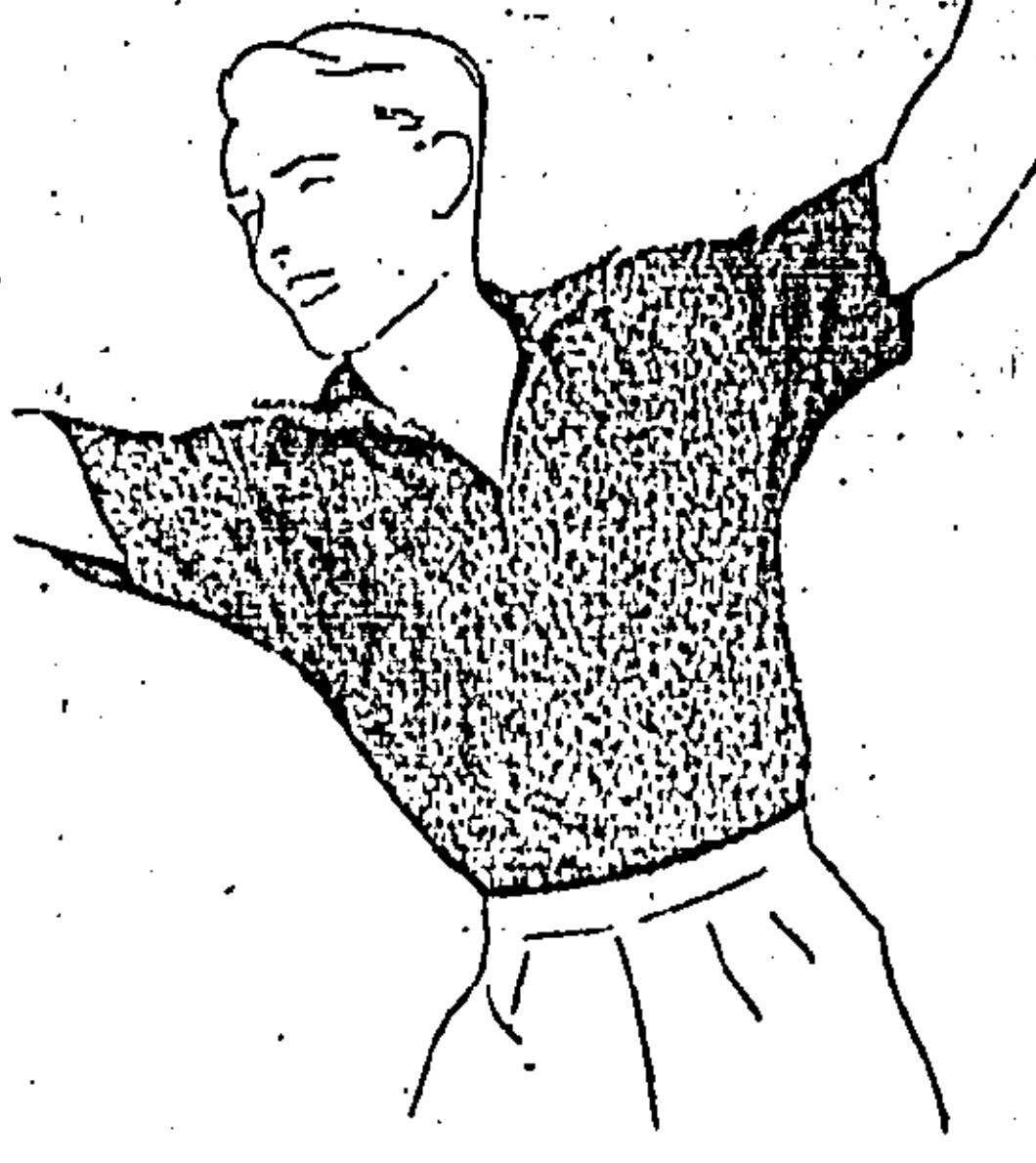
Egypt

Gains in Gold

London, Mar. 15. The collapse of Czechoslovakia is expected to yield Germany £27,000,000 gold stock of the former Czech National Bank, compared with the harvest of £10,000,000 gold and £8,000,000 foreign exchange from the occupation of Austria one year ago.

The Greater Reich's gold stock is only £6,000,000, although it is also known to have a secret supply outside the Reichsbank, which is believed to be not large.

Some quarters believe that the British Government will now retain the unexpected balance of its £10,000,000 credit to the Czech Government, but there has been no official hint and no official legislation yet.—United Press.



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A West Country Courting.
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STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued 12.30 p.m. yesterday, says:

The market continued steady, prices being well maintained and buyers predominating for most of the popular counters.

Buyers

Hongkong Bank \$1.400
Bank of East Asia \$220
Canton Insurance \$220
H.K. & Kowloon \$100
Cochin \$100
H.K. Docks (\$100) \$100
H.K. Tramways \$100
H.K. Water \$100
H.M. Ferries (\$221) \$221<br

POOR DAY FOR C.R.C. PLAYERS AT TENNIS TOURNEY

Three Eliminated In Four Ties Yesterday

(By "Abe")

Yesterday was a bad day for Chinese R.C. players in the Colony Tennis Championships: in three out of the four singles matches decided C.R.C. men participated and in all three they were eliminated from the tournament.

Paul Kong met his Waterloo at the hands of E. C. Fincher, who played extremely well to win out in straight sets. The scores 6-2, 6-4 in his favour, against a player of Kong's calibre, are sufficient proof of the high quality of Fincher's tennis yesterday. Not only was his backhand in good working order, but he was able to keep mistakes on the forehand down to a minimum.

The court, of course, suited Fincher's chops, but slowed down Kong's shots. Generally made with a flat racket, but this advantage apart, it was Fincher who looked the liker. One of the two to win; he made fewer mistakes and his passing shots were generally winners.

After winning the first set comfortably, Fincher broke through Kong's service after 3-3 had been called, but promptly dropped his hold, and the 37-year-old coloured Canadian, Larry Gains, is likely to prove a battle of ringertaff, fitness and subtlety rather than hard punching, although both promise to knock-out the opponent.

If further proof was necessary to show that he will be a very difficult man to beat, Lim Thiam-tet provided it yesterday when he polished off

VETERANS TO FIGHT FOR TITLE

Len Harvey Meet Gains To-Night

London, Mar. 15. The British Empire heavyweight championship fight over 15 rounds at Wrexham to-morrow between the 32-year-old Len Harvey, holder, and the 37-year-old coloured Canadian, Larry Gains, is likely to prove a battle of ringertaff, fitness and subtlety rather than hard punching, although both promise to knock-out the opponent.

If there is a knock-out, Harvey, who has shown impressive punching ability at training, is likely to win. To improve the television reception and to prevent any blurring of the figures, buttercup yellow canvas and blue ropes will be used.—Reuter.

Results Of Matches Played Yesterday

The following were the results of matches played yesterday:

OPEN SINGLES

George Chou beat H. G. Can 6-1, 6-0.
A. Crawford beat Pang Oi-lam 6-4, 6-2.
Lim Thiam-tet beat Lee Yue-wing 6-3, 6-3.
E. C. Fincher beat Paul Kong 6-2, 6-4.

Lee Yue-wing, an extremely steady player, with the loss of six games. The former Peral champion revealed a stronger all-round game and won 6-3, 6-1.

The match between A. Crawford and Pohr Oi-lam produced play of a fairly high standard, but the Kowloon C.C. man proved a trifle stouter of the two and won in straight sets. He was also a stronger all-round player.

George Chou had some useful practice against H. G. Can, whom he beat easily.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

Singles—O. Runjahn v. I. M. A. Razack; Tsui Yui-pui v. Chin Chi-keung; Tsui Ping-fan v. Chan Kam-moon; Tsui Yun-pui v. Wan Tze-sam; B. Szeto v. J. W. Leonard.—Reuter.

Eastern, Kwong Wah In Goalless Draw

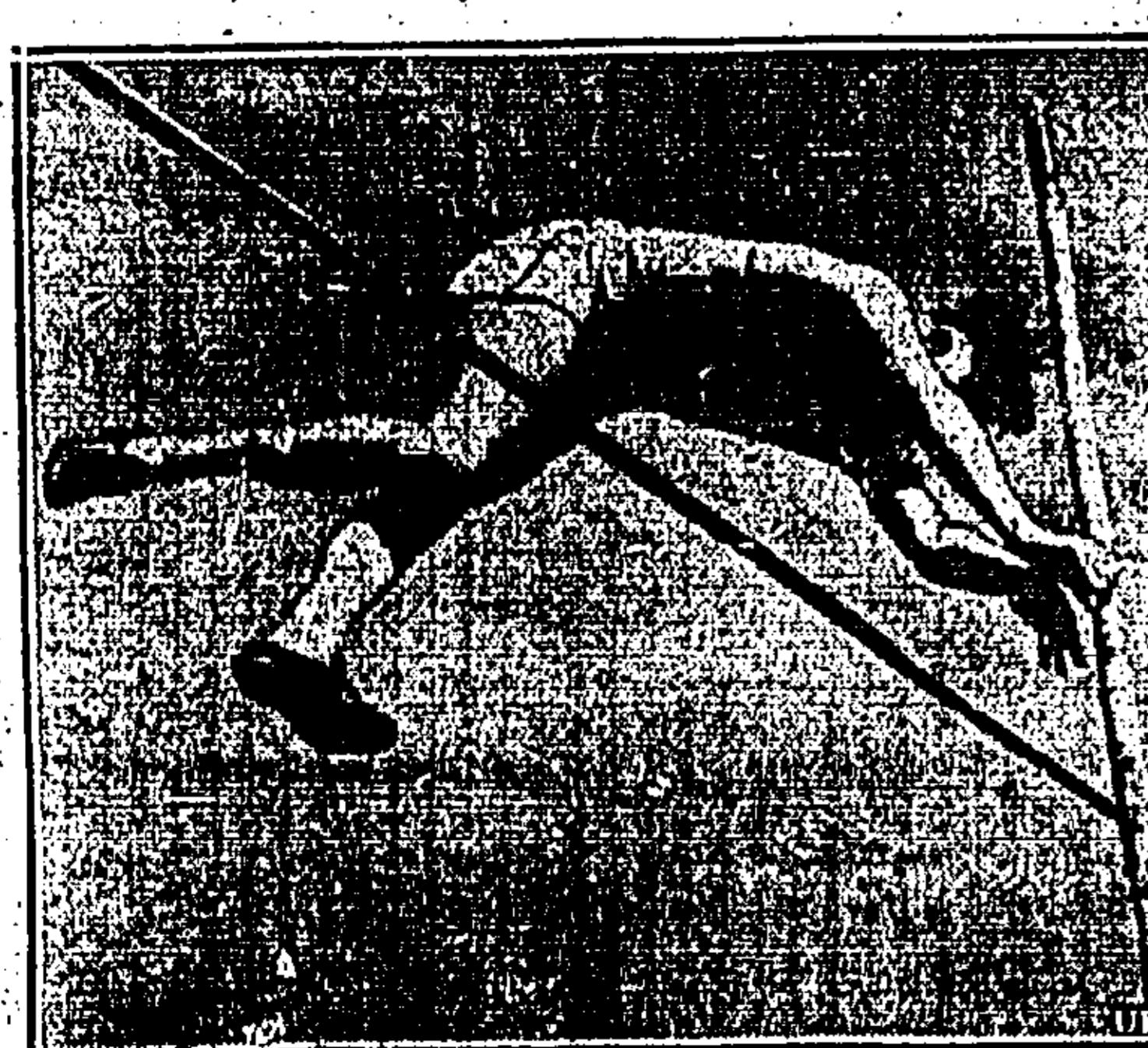
Eastern and Kwong Wah met on the Club ground yesterday in the First Division of the Hongkong Football League, the result being a goalless draw.

The game was keen, but both defences were on top of the attack.

MEDAL GOLF

The following were the results of the L.G.U. Medal Competition of the Ladies' Section of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club played at Fanling on March 14:

Silver Division, Old Course—Mrs. D. J. Gilmore 92-15=81.
Bronze Division, New Course—Mrs. J. R. Collis 92-23=69.



Among many top-siders in Paris who were seen recently at the Billiard A.C. meet at Madison Square Garden was Cornelius Warmerdam, above, U.S. national polo vault champion. Warmerdam's record is 14 feet 7½ in. He's from the California Olympic Club. This action picture shows him going over the bar.

Draw In Test Confirmed

Durban, Mar. 15. The Final Test was abandoned as a draw on the tenth day. Rain stopped play throughout to-day when England needed only 42 runs, with five wickets in hand.

The match could not be continued as the M.C.C. team have to catch their ship home. The final scores were: South Africa 530 and 481; M.C.C. 316 and 654 for 5.—Reuter's Bulletin.

Ireland Defeated By Wales

INTERNATIONAL SOCCER MATCH

London, Mar. 15. At Wrexham to-day, before 20,000 spectators, Wales defeated Ireland by three goals to one in the International soccer match.

In the Welsh team, Poland of Wrexham was in goal, and Boulter of Brentford replaced Leslie Jones of the Arsenal at inside right. Ireland made one change from the team previously announced, Leahman, of Belfast Celtic, coming into the side in place of McMillen, of Chesterfield, at centre-half.

The teams, therefore, lined up as follows:

Wales—Poland (Wrexham); Turner (Charlton), Hughes (Birmingham); Green (Charlton), T. Jones (Everton), Dearon (Birmingham); Hopkins (Brentford), Boulter (Brentford) Glover (Grimbsy), Bryn Jones (Arsenal) and Cummer (Arsenal).

Ireland—Breen (Manchester U.); Cook (Everton), Butler (Blackpool); Broly (Millwall), Leahman (Belfast Celtic); Weir (Clyde); Cochrane (Leeds U.); Stevenson (Everton), Milligan (Chesterfield), Doherty (Manchester C.) and Brown (Birmingham).

Wales were confident at the start and Cummer gathered a pass from Bryn Jones to score in the seventh minute.

Milligan, however, equalised following a mix-up in the Welsh goal-mouth, but Glover restored the lead for Wales from a disputed corner kick by Cummer five minutes later.

STANDARD NOT HIGH

Play was not of a high standard. Ireland attacked hotly before the interval, but were unable to break down the Welsh defence, and half-time arrived with the Welshmen leading 1-1.

After the interval, the Welsh defence was hard-pressed by the forceful Irish forwards, who instituted many sweeping movements, which were spoiled by poor finishing.

Wales eventually scored against the run of play, Boulter netting the third goal.

After this, Wales improved though Ireland finished the stronger team of the two.

The Welshmen were flattered by their margin of victory. Poland, who made his debut as goal-keeper in an International for Wales, was impressive, saving his side repeatedly.

Missed "sitters" caused the Irish defeat.—Reuter.

Results Of Matches Played In League

London, Mar. 15. The following were the results of matches played in the Home Football programme to-day:

FIRST DIVISION

Chelsea 1 Blackpool 1
Sunderland 0 Portsmouth 1
Huddersfield 1 Liverpool 1

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Bournemouth 1 Port Vale 1

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Bradford City 2 Doncaster 1
SCOTTISH LEAGUE (FIRST DIVISION)
Clyde 2 Queen's Park 3

—Reuter.

Rugger Matches At Home

London, Mar. 15. Rugby results to-day were as follows:

RUGBY LEAGUE

Swinton 27 Broughton 0
Rangers 0

RUGBY LEAGUE CUP (3RD ROUND REPLAY)

Hallfax 15 Walsfield 12

RUGBY UNION

Kent 9 United Banks 0

(at New Beckenham)

Civil Service 6 R.A.F. 23

(at Chiswick) —Reuter.

OUR WEEKLY HOCKEY FEATURE

'The Pilgrim' on—

THROUGH PASS
NOW FAVoured

DIFFERENT METHODS EMPLOYED BY FORWARDS NOWADAYS

INDIVIDUAL PLAY SEEN TO GREATER EXTENT



The short-passing game, which was developed to such a fine art by some of the finest centre-forwards in hockey, has in present-day play been superseded to a great extent by the through pass. This is nothing more or less than the oldest style of hockey—called in those days "hit and run"—brought down to a scientific basis, and it is for this reason that nowadays we see little of the short square-passing game from stick to stick that used to be such a delight to watch.

The tendency of this new style of play has been to make players more individual than formerly, and the present-day centre-forward is generally seen doing rather more than the average amount of dribbling in an endeavour to draw the defences so as to make a through pass with success.

The centre-forward of to-day must not allow himself to become a slave to this new form of attack, but should use his own discretion as to when to employ it, and he should certainly vary his methods as much as possible.

A clever defence, alive to these methods, can position itself to frustrate attacks far more easily than it could to check a fast and clever line of forwards playing the short-passing game.

On wet and heavy grounds, where the defence find it difficult to turn quickly, a centre-forward can adopt the through-pass tactics with far greater chances of success than on a hard and fast ground, and so here again generalship and brain-work must play an important part.

PLAY THE GAME

Sufficient attention is seldom paid either by the captain or by the team as a whole to the way in which the best can be brought out of the side. Too often a team is merely a collection of eleven individuals, but for an afternoon's exercise and enjoyment, who do not consider as much as they might the best way to get the utmost out of themselves, not only with a view to winning but also to give as good a display as possible.

Victory is certainly not the sole aim and object of any game. What is necessary is that the side should play well and hard, and also take my bad luck that comes their way with equanimity. If they should win so much the better.



Miss Wentott is no stranger to the outside left position in Interports, having played before on this wing against Shanghai.

League Table To Date

The following is the H.K.H.A. Tournament Table to date:

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Radio & P.S.C.	9	8	0	1	22	4	17
Recrdo	9	8	0	1	22	12	16
C.A.A.	8	4	4	0	23	10	8
R.A.F.	6	4	2	0	22	8	8
Police "A"	6	4	2	0	22	10	8
Nomads	7	4	3	0	23	12	8
H.K.C.	7	3	4	0	21	15	6
K.I.T.C.	7	1	2	2	11	13	6
Varisty	8	0	0	0	0	0	0
Police "B"	8	0	0	0	0	0	0

keeper and Miss Fowler is a back who does not stand on ceremony when the jumps into a tackle and hits the ball uncomumonly hard. Miss White is as steady as ever and usually comes through an ordeal with distinct credit.

The three halves, Mrs. Stone, Miss I. Woolley and Miss H. Reid, are a constrieive trio and are capable of rising to great heights when the occasion demands.

The above players took part in the first quarter of the trials last Sunday and to me they proved to be the best combination.

According to the names submitted, the Interports team and reserves would probably be as follows:

Mrs. Lunson	
Miss G. White	
Miss A. Fowler	
Mrs. Stone	
Miss I. Woolley	
Miss H. Reid	
Mrs. Burnett	
Mrs. Harker	
Mrs. Read	
Mrs. Dalziel	
Miss Westcott	
Reserves—Mrs. Wilmot, Miss B. Greaves, Miss M. Booker and Miss E. Greig.	

A practice for the Interports will be held on the Navy ground, King's Park, on Sunday at 10.30 a.m. when they meet the Rest.

RANDOM JOTTINGS BY "THE PILGRIM"

ENTRIES for the Hongkong H.A. six-a-side tournament, which commences on April 2, will close next Saturday. Clubs affiliated to the Association are allowed to enter one or more teams, and their entries are to be forwarded to Mr. R. Henderson, Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong H.A. c/o Harbour View Hotel, Kowloon. The game will be of seven minutes' duration and will be played on the Navy, Recrdo, C.B.A. and U.S.R.C. grounds at King's Park. The semi-final and final will take place on the Club ground.

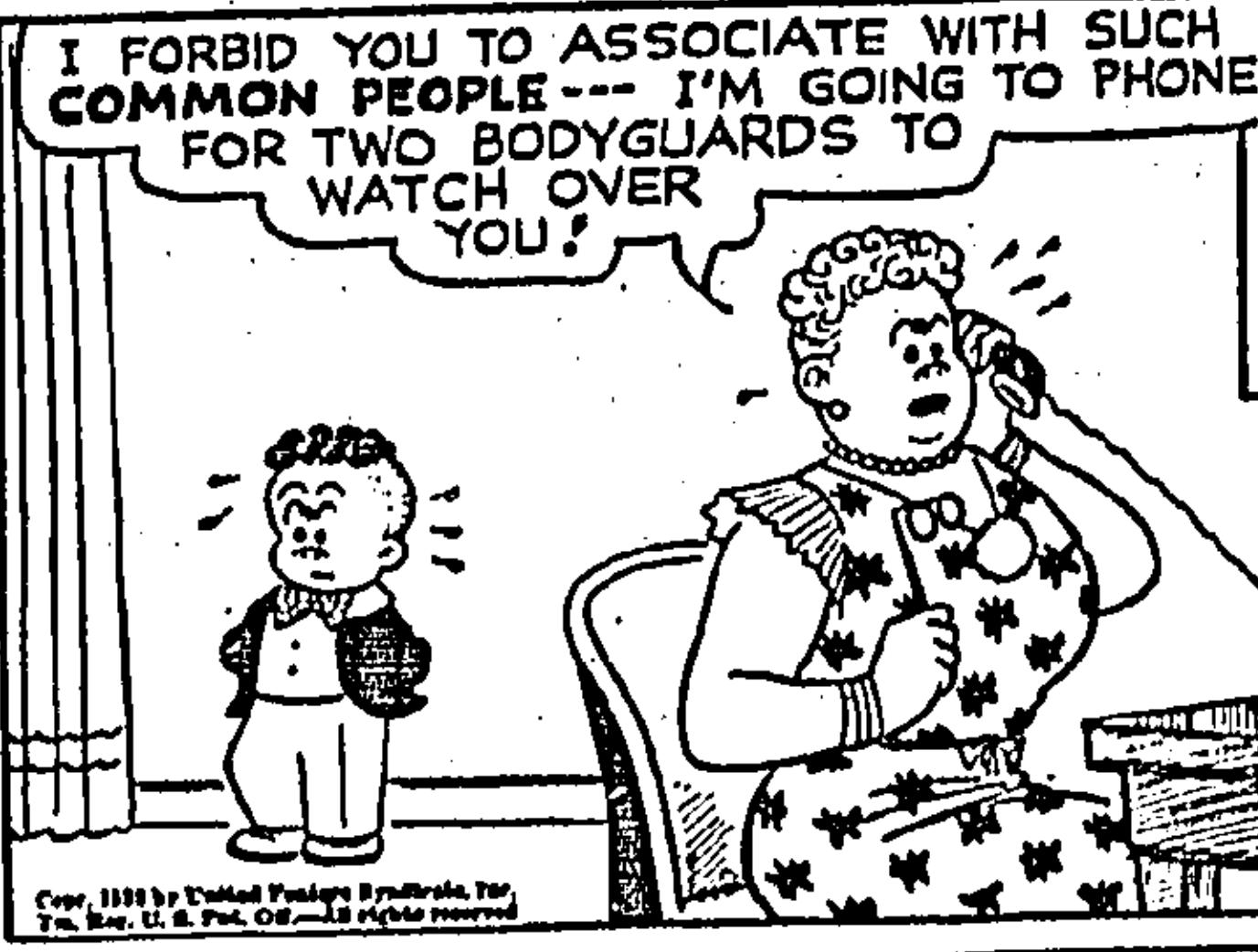
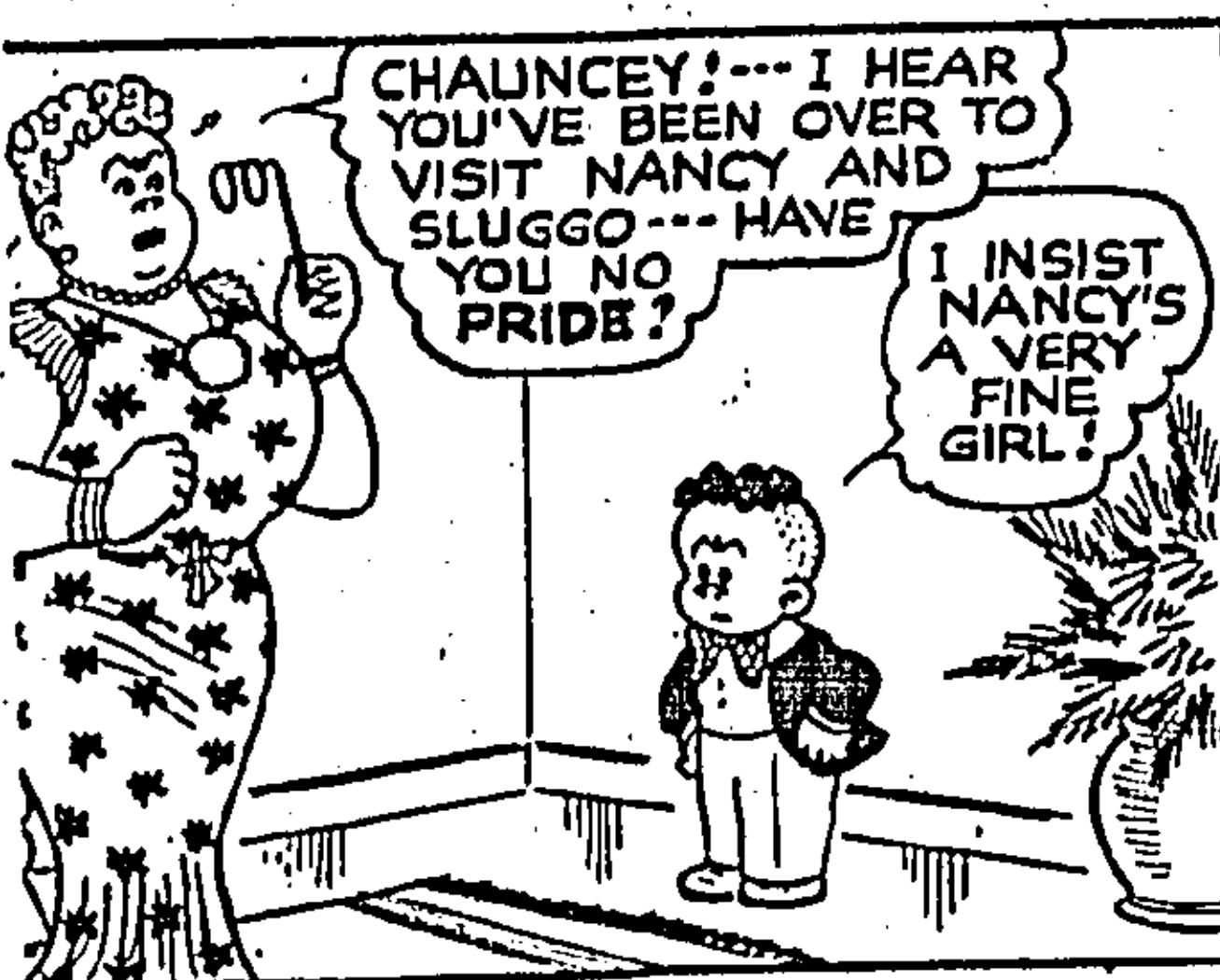
THE following gentlemen were elected to the Six-a-Side Tournament Committee:—Lieut. Gunner (Navy), Lieut. Hook (Army), Mr. A. E. Guest (Civilians) and the Hon. Secretary, Mr. R. Henderson. Further details will be published as soon as the Committee has had its first meeting.

MR. D. Smith, Tournament Secretary of the H.K.H.A., will be leaving for Shanghai on March 20 on a three weeks' vacation. He hopes to be present at the Ladies' Interports hockey match which is to be played in Shanghai during the second week of April.

MISS J. Weller, former "Y" Ladies' goal-keeper, has made a welcome return to the game after an absence of two seasons. She now plays at full back for the Hongkong Ladies' Brown Cup team, and gave a good display against the Recrdo ladies last Saturday.

LEADING goal-scorers in the running for sticks to be

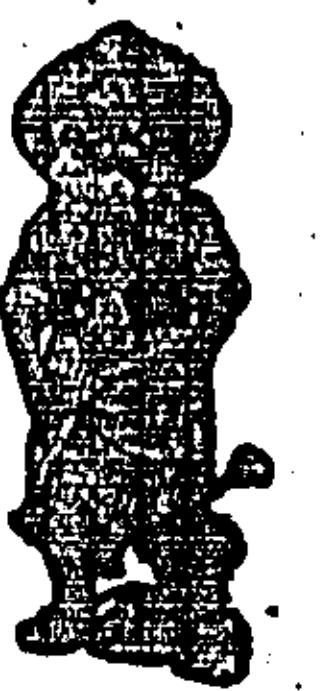
NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

For "Garden Lovers"

GARDEN ORNAMENTS

"MAN with FLOWER POT"
HEIGHT 27 ins. \$65.00"FISHING GNOME"
HEIGHT 24½ ins. \$65.00"THE BIRD BATH"
Height 20 ins. \$37.50"THE GARDENER"
HEIGHT ...\$30.00MADE OF BEST
TERRA COTTA BY
SKILLED ARTISTS
AND BACKED BY
THE EXPERIENCE OF
A LIFETIME - - -China & Glass Department
LANE, CRAWFORD LTD.
TEL. 28151INSURANCE CASE
Differences in Prices
Explained to Court

Proceedings in the China Underwriters Ltd. insurance test case were somewhat less tedious yesterday with the introduction of an actual box of the much-talked-of preserved fish goods.

The Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, smilingly declined to have the goods near him after they had been opened outside the Court door—by special request.

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, etc.

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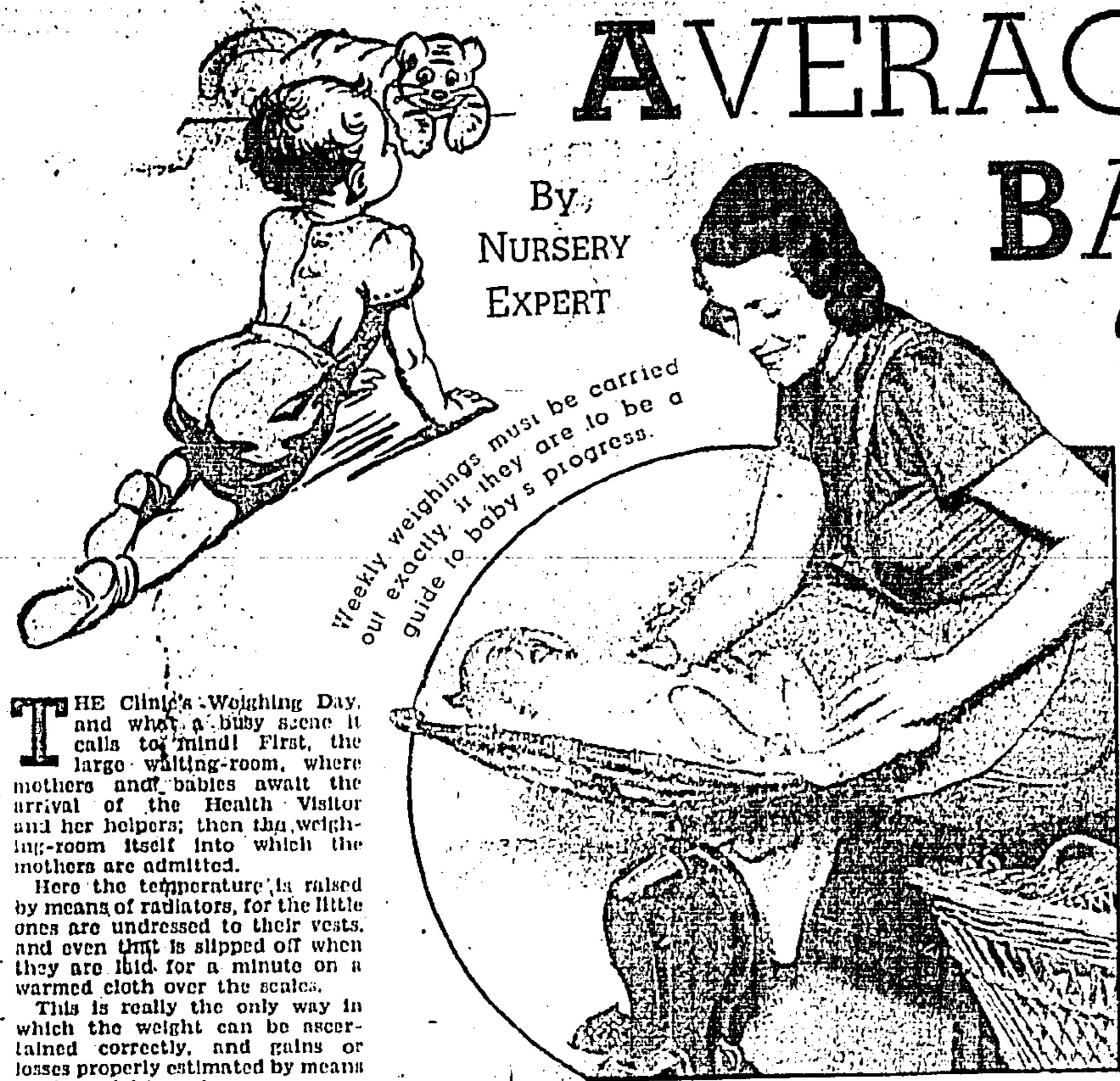
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By
NURSERY
EXPERT

Weekly weighings must be carried out exactly if baby's progress is to be a guide to baby's progress.

THE Clinic's Weighing Day, and what a busy scene it calls to mind! First, the large waiting-room, where mothers and babies await the arrival of the Health Visitor and her helpers; then the weighing-room itself into which the mothers are admitted.

Here the temperature is raised by means of radiators, for the little ones are undressed to their vests, and even that is slipped off when they are laid for a minute on a warmed cloth over the scales.

This is really the only way in which the weight can be ascertained correctly, and gains or losses properly estimated by means of the weight-card.

While Mother dresses her baby, nurse gives a little advice according to the information noted on this card.

Rapid Gains

If Baby is gaining too rapidly, for instance, and differs from friend or colleague, then a few days will explain how best to cut down the feeds to the quantity that the infant can assimilate comfortably.

If, on the other hand, the gains are insufficient, she will go into the matter carefully, perhaps suggesting changes in the mother's diet or more rest for

MIDGE: In Waiting



"Daddy, are you still reading Bobby Bear?"

For Our Junior Readers

Burmese Stamps

* New Set of PICTORIALS *

UNTIL the 1st April, 1937, Burma, an eastern land with an area five times that of England, but with less than half its population, was a province of the Indian Empire.

On that day it was separated from India and—of some importance to philatelists—was given its own issue of stamps.

The first set consisted only of the current Indian stamps overprinted with the word "BURMA." There was a great demand for them from collectors, who thought at the time that they would not remain in use very long as "definitive" set was rumoured.

It was eighteen months, however, before the King George VI set included any interesting pictorials. Like the stamps of the neighbouring country, they are typically oriental in design.

The low values (from 3 pence to 3 annas) are normal size and portray the King, as do the highest values (10 rupees), which, however, are larger stamps.



Above: A sailing canoe with wind-filled sails on the mighty Irrawaddy.
On the left: Oxen draw the plough in the rice fields of Burma.

around the central portrait. The principal river of the country is the Irrawaddy, a mighty waterway which is navigable for nearly 1,000 miles of its length. A canoe, with wind-filled sail, on this river, is pictured on the 8 annas.

The two main exports are rice and teak. On the 3 annas can be seen a rice field in which a Burmese is guiding a plough drawn by two oxen.

An elephant pushing a large log of teak with its trunk is depicted on the 3 annas. The 3 annas illustrated the royal barge—a great pagoda-like building floating on the water.

All the pictorial values include a portrait of the King.

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A royal gown of garnet-coloured taffeta-backed silk velvet is shown above. The dropped shoulder decolletage is edged with a band of kidmaki. The necklace and bracelet are set with garnets.

What Do You WEIGH?

tendencies, you will be able to ornament the margins attractively. May I remind you that this should not only be done in the case of the first baby but also for the second and the third; if your home is blessed with several children. A comparison of all these records is sure to be of great family interest in later years.

Recently an excellent little book has come into my hands called, "How to Keep Baby Well" and, among other most useful advice it shows clearly how these records should be kept for easy reference. The book also deals with many important matters as feeding, bathing, teething troubles, and cold nursery ailments, as well as with the general care of Baby.

I feel that this book would be of real interest to all young mothers, so I propose to send a copy to all who are interested as long as my supply lasts. Will you write to me on a postcard at once—Nursery Expert, "Daily Herald," Acer House, 72, Long Acre, London, W.C.2—if you care to avail yourselves of this offer.

Fashion Notes

THERE are some interesting millinery shapes, notably the Robin Hood style in leaf-green shade. The tricornie with an open crown and a mass of small flowers grouped in front is making its debut to the public in Paris. From the crown, a soft veil falls gracefully over the wearer's shoulder.

A time saving method with hand-towels and small linens is to place them between ironing sheets and a layer of paper, before doing large work, then when you have finished ironing, raise up the ironing sheet and you will find your small work already pressed.

To enhance your embroidery, always iron it on the wrong side; this will give it an attractive raised appearance. Mats and doyleys should always be ironed from the centre outwards, to preserve their shape.

J. G.

I Like Spoiling My Daughter

JENNY is 19—and the apple of her father's eye. As I am her father, I am entitled to say that, like the more you are likely to get, what is more, I am not the least

ashamed of it. They knew that my daughter is well cared for, and we betide the man who does not treat her as well as I do myself! It is a man's privilege, "Very bad," they murmured to pamper women (well, doubtless). "Doesn't do to spoil slightly, at any rate), and I don't see young women, you know. They will why my daughter should be any take advantage of it. Jenny will, exception.

You will see.

Many fathers I know keep their girls deliberately short of money.

"Does 'em good, old man," they say smugly. "Makes 'em realize that if they do want things, they must earn them."

Free Entertainment

Unfortunately, matters don't work out like that, and I see these same daughters going out with young men simply for a free entertainment at the theatre, cinema or dance hall.

My daughter will never adopt those tactics. If she wants anything, she comes to her father, and her requests are always very reasonable.

If she is fond of someone, her first thought is to bring him home. There is none of this "secret" business about her. We are good pals, and she knows that my judgment will always be fair. She is proud of me, too, and I earn a respect from her which many other fathers would be only too glad to have.

As long as she lives under my roof, I shall certainly continue to spoil

them, as she has left; and for the life of

The "Professional Touch" In Ironing

BEFORE your ironing is actually started, place a folded paper on the ironing sheet; this prevents damp garments from moistening the ironing sheet, which necessitates longer ironing of the garment; and also it enables one to iron the clothes much more smoothly.

Before ironing pure silk, first damp it down well and leave the garment rolled up, prior to ironing with a hot iron. The method is different with Shantung silk, which must be ironed well as soon as it is dry.

Artificial silk requires careful handling, and should be pressed with a warm (never hot) iron on the wrong side; a hot iron is fatal to artificial silk, spoiling the colour and sometimes taking a whole piece out of the material.

Stockinet which has shrunk in the wash can be stretched back to normal shape with the iron; first damp slightly, then iron it on the wrong side. The damping process is very important, because if the article is not damp enough the "wrinkling creases" simply won't come out!

Fluffy woven waffles need only a warm iron when dry, on the wrong side, but hand-knitted cardigans and jumpers need a damp cloth when ironing with a warm iron.

A better method, but one which takes more time, is first to pin the garment in place on your ironing board, then carefully press it, except at wrist, wrists, and lower edge, with a warm iron; this treatment is excellent for a garment which has lost its shape in the wash.

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Mothers!

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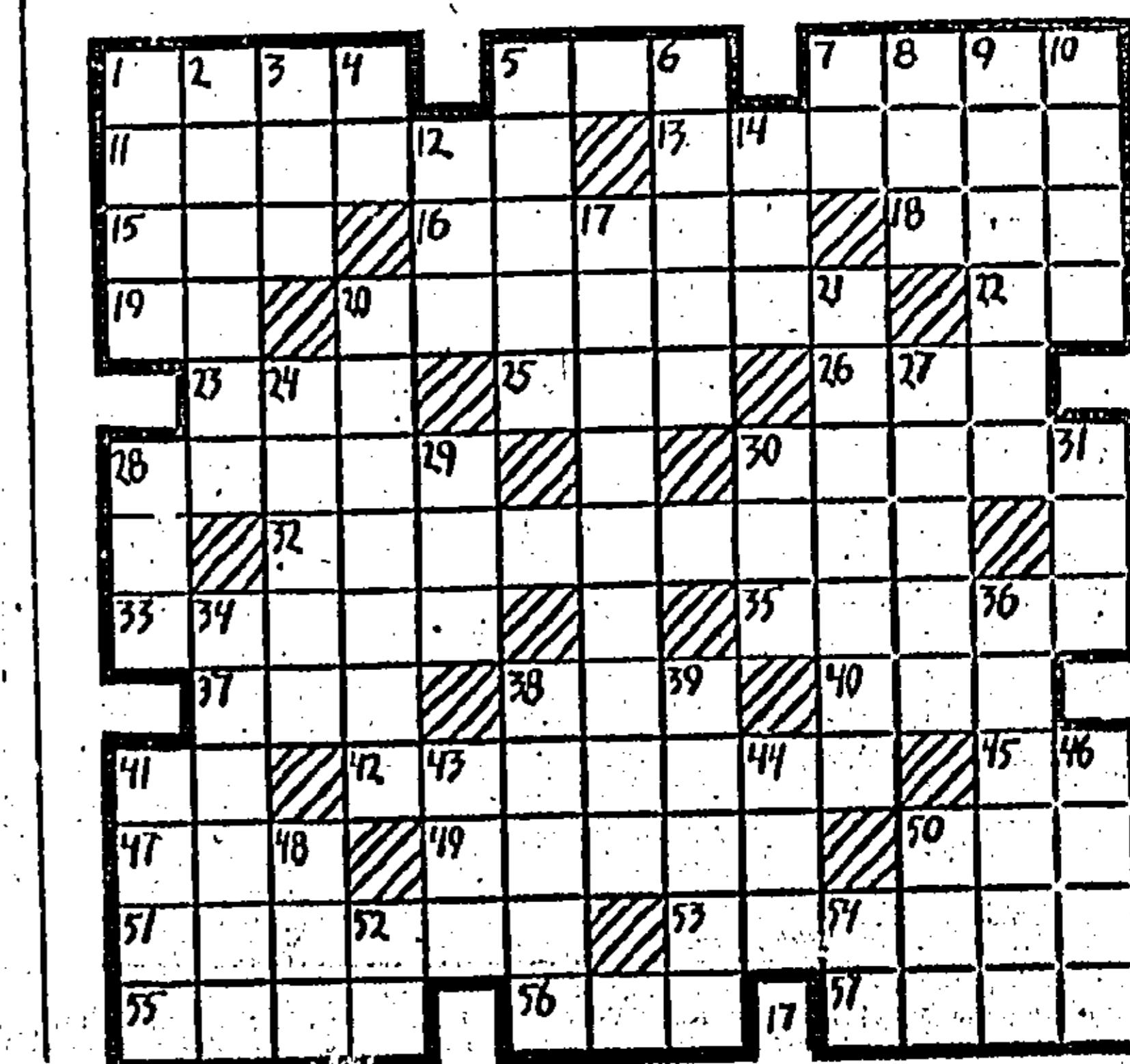
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Crossword Puzzle

BY LARS MORRIS

ANSWER TO
PREVIOUS PUZZLE

1—Alt. name (col.)	2—Taste	3—Wife giving rights to
4—The sun	5—Dish	6—old
7—Elder of the	8—old	9—old
10—Time to private	11—Interview	12—Common extinctions
13—Gull (n.)	14—Contested	15—Contestant
16—Impure metallic	17—Of short duration	18—One who makes
17—Two	19—audious effort	20—audious effort
21—Small insects (pl.)	22—castle walls (pl.)	23—One who plays with
22—Small tower (pl.)	23—castle walls (pl.)	24—dice
23—Cinematic studio	24—castle walls (pl.)	25—Original painting
24—Name resembling	26—castle walls (pl.)	27—Painting on wood
25—Name resembling	27—castle walls (pl.)	28—Household
26—Name for soldiers	28—castle walls (pl.)	29—Abbreviation for
27—Name for soldiers	29—castle walls (pl.)	30—Jewish organization
28—Name for soldiers	30—castle walls (pl.)	31—Established
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31—Name for soldiers	33—Established	34—of a people
32—Name for soldiers	34—Established	35—Lam period of time
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35—Name for soldiers	37—Established	38—Established
36—Name for soldiers	38—Established	39—Characteristic spirit
37—Name for soldiers	39—Established	40—of a people
38—Name for soldiers	40—Established	41—Day of year now
39—Name for soldiers	41—Day of year now	42—Deer-like drink
40—Name for soldiers	42—Day of year now	43—Evergreen
41—Name for soldiers	43—Day of year now	44—Fever contraction
42—Name for soldiers	44—Day of year now	45—Voice element
43—Name for soldiers	45—Day of year now	46—Lark-like song
44—Name for soldiers	46—Day of year now	47—Lark-like song
45—Name for soldiers	47—Day of year now	48—Stallion (male)
46—Name for soldiers	48—Day of year now	49—Stallion (male)
47—Name for soldiers	49—Day of year now	50—Stallion (male)
48—Name for soldiers	50—Day of year now	51—Stallion (male)
49—Name for soldiers	51—Day of year now	52—Stallion (male)
50—Name for soldiers	52—Stallion (male)	53—Italiano river



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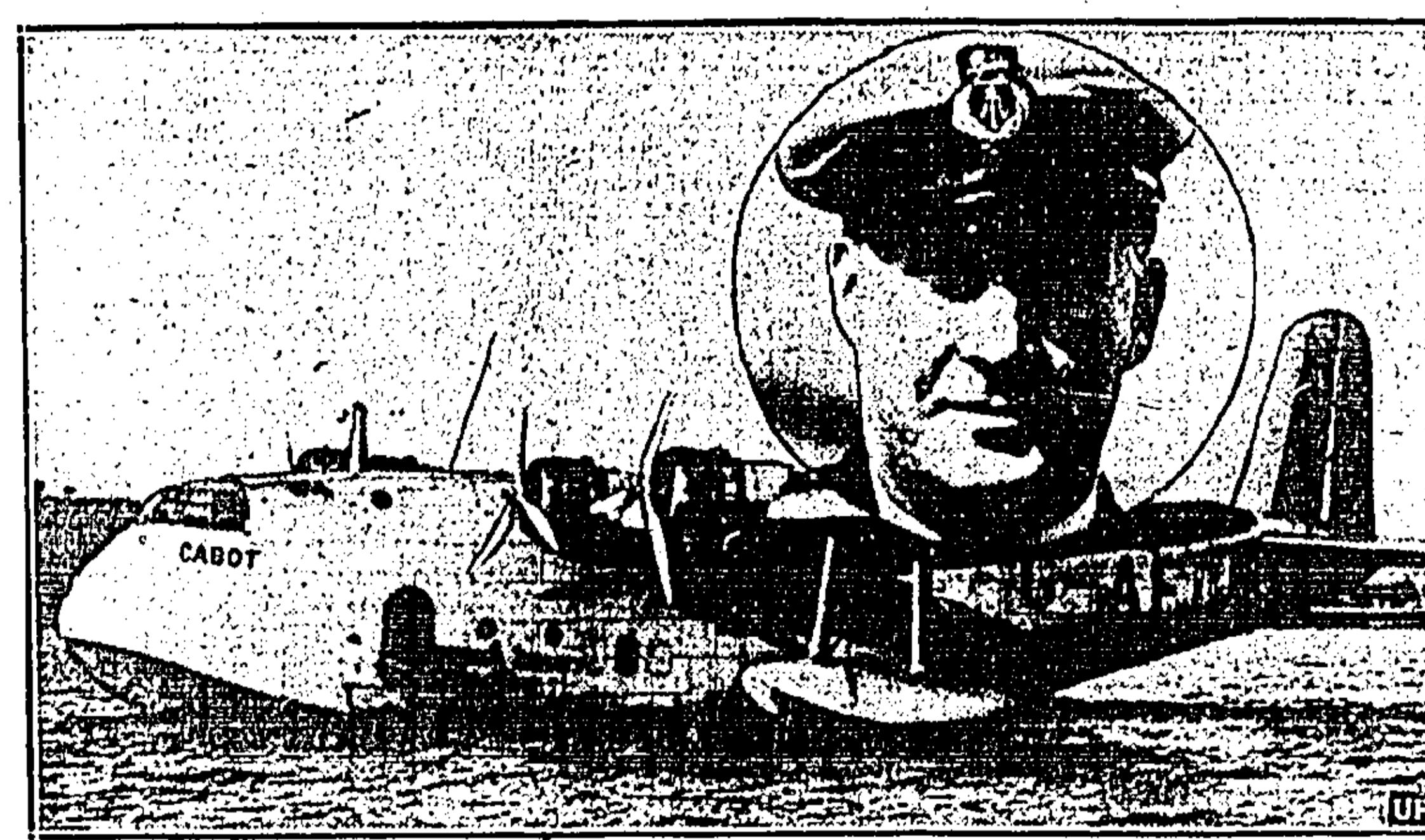
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Count Galeazzo Ciano, Premier Mussolini's son-in-law and Italian Foreign Minister, visited Yugoslavia recently, presumably to foster Italian influence there. During the visit he was invited to a stag hunt by former Premier Milan Stoyadinovich and they are shown in the rear seat of the coach, the Count at left.



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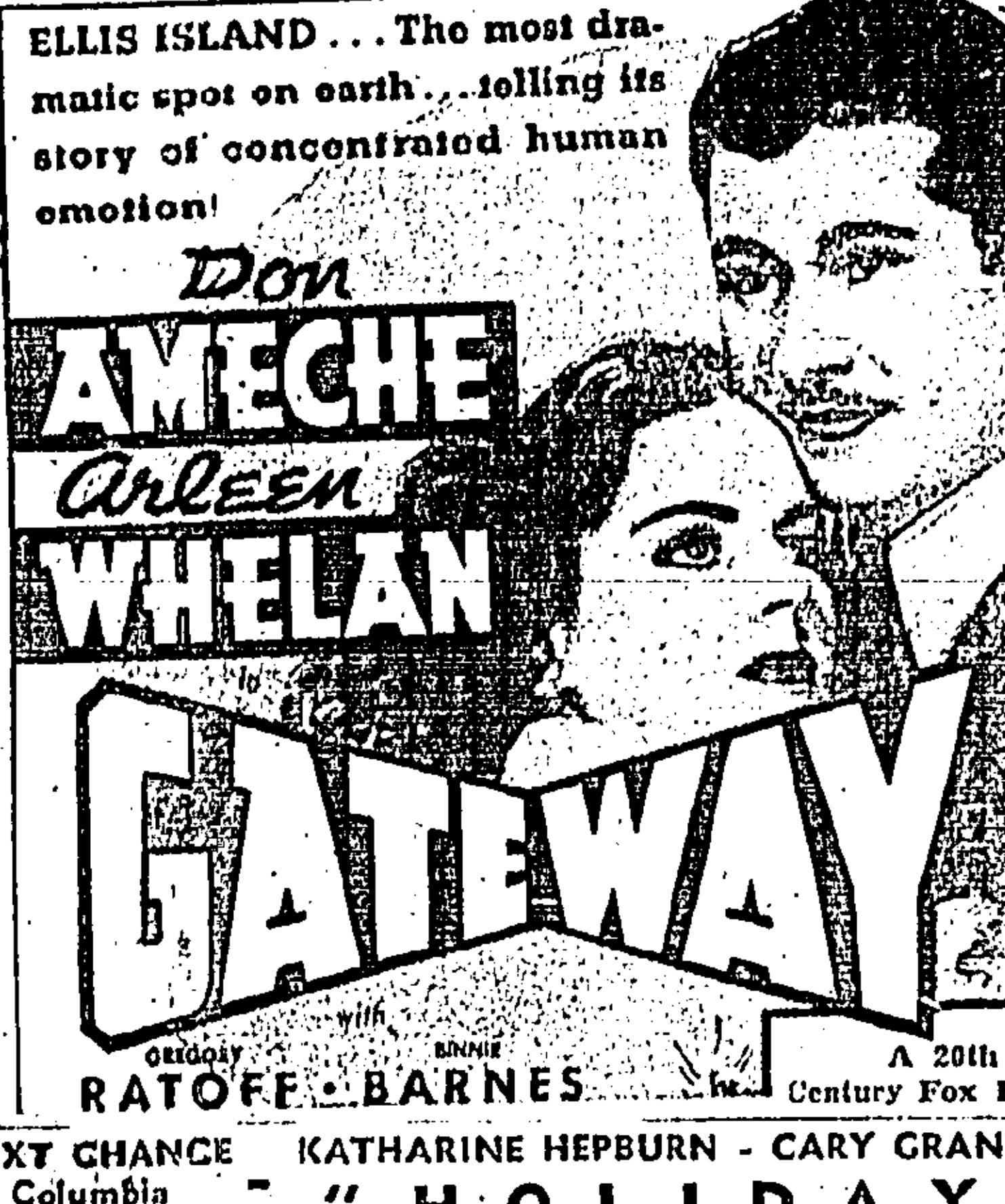
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LATE NEWS

Briton Killed In Air Raid

Chungking, Mar. 16. A British missionary is reported to have been killed yesterday when 18 Japanese planes staged a terrific air raid over the partially-ruined town of Pingklang, in northeast Hunan. Forty other persons were also killed.

The British missionary was the superintendent of a hospital founded by a British Mission.

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Severe clashes between Hungarian troops and Slovaks are reported to have occurred this afternoon in Metzneifel.

Casualties are said to be two killed and two wounded, while the Hungarians captured six Slovak prisoners.

The Hungarians were advancing in the direction of Crecovor this evening. Hlinka Guards are in complete control of central Slovakia, while the German local defence organisations are maintaining order in the German districts.—Reuter.

During February a total of 0,740 cases were treated by the St. John Ambulance New Territories Medical Benevolent Branch, including 713 at Shum Chun and 420 in Nam Tau. During the month 3,224 vaccinations were carried out.

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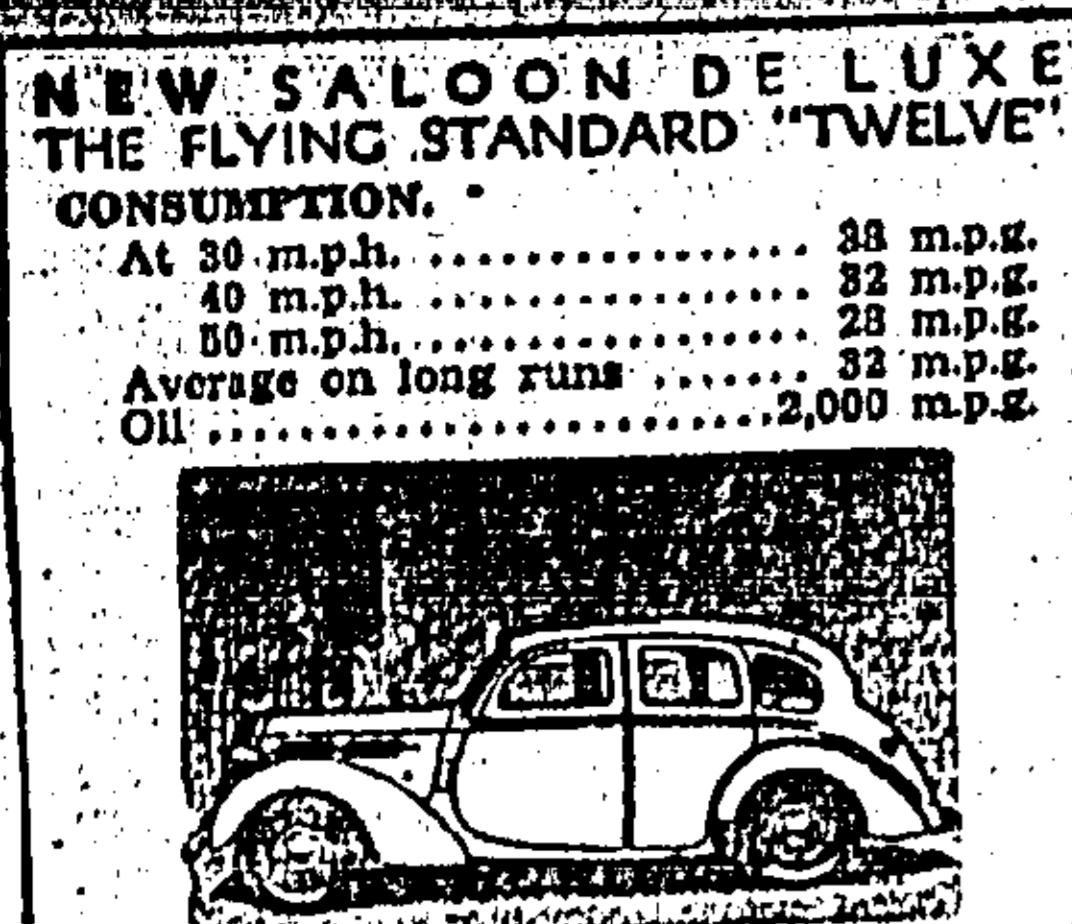
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FIGHTING IN RUTHENIA: HUNGARIAN ULTIMATUM DEMANDS SURRENDER



Ruled black line shows the area of Czechoslovakia seized after September. The "head" now becomes German territory, the "tail" goes to Hungary.

COMMONS STATEMENT

"IBITTERLY REGRET," SAYS CHAMBERLAIN

LONDON, Mar. 15. MR. NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN, the British Prime Minister, entered the House of Commons to-day to make a statement before the end of question-time. He was greeted with Ministerial cheers and cries from the Opposition.

EFFECT ON BRITAIN

Future Policy Based On Further Acts

LONDON, Mar. 15. THE EVENTS in Czechoslovakia were the main preoccupation of the Cabinet at its meeting this morning. It is understood that the Ministers took a very grave view of the situation, and consequently will press on the re-armament programme to the utmost.

While British policy will continue to be directed towards a peaceful settlement of disputes, there seems little doubt that Ministers will henceforth base policy on the risks of further acts by Germany outside the boundaries of her own nationals.

Developments to-day shocked members of all parties, but the view is widely held that in the present situation, no effective action could be taken by this country.

The suggestion by Mr. Anthony Eden of an all-party Government has met with little support.

QUICKER THAN EXPECTED

The partition of Czechoslovakia has come quicker than expected, writes a diplomatic observer, but the efficiency and rapidity with which Hitler seized Bohemia and Moravia came as no surprise.

The German formula has been identical in each of her three foreign successes in the last twelve months. First the ground is thoroughly prepared, and then, when all arrangements are complete, a mine is sprung and German troops have merely to take possession of territory gained by diplomacy.

This time, however, the soldiers were not received with flowers and cheers, but with cat-calls and hisses.

It is thought in some quarters that the two Czech provinces may prove rather tough meat, but it must be remembered that German power has shown itself to be remarkably sound.

It is not known whether Germany fully approves of Hungary's seizure of Ruthenia, but perhaps the Reich does not attach great importance to it as Hungary, by herself, could not offer much resistance to Germany's pressure in the East.

POLES DISTURBED

Poland and Italy profess satisfaction at Hungary's action, but it is gathered that the Poles are deeply disturbed over the position of Slovakia.

Diplomats are asking in which direction will come the next move.

MOBILISATION ORDERED TO DEFEND NEW NATION

BRATISLAVA, Mar. 15. THE RUTHENIAN PARLIAMENT HAS PROCLAIMED RUTHENIA TO BE AN INDEPENDENT SOVEREIGN STATE AND WILL RESIST HUNGARIAN ENCROACHMENT, STATES "UNITED PRESS."

"Havas" reports that the Hungarian Foreign Minister, Count Csaky, has presented an ultimatum to the Premier of Ruthenia demanding a reply to the Hungarian proposal for cession of Ruthenia to Hungary by 8 p.m. (4 a.m. H.K.T.).

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NOT CONTEMPLATED

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The Munich agreement constituted a settlement.

"I cannot regard the manner and method whereby these changes had been brought about as in accordance with the Munich agreement," he said.

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"These events cannot fail to be a cause of disturbance to the international situation.

POLAND IGNORES APPEAL

Warsaw, Mar. 15. The Polish Government does not intend to answer the appeal of the Ruthenian Premier, in which he announced the independence of that country, it was officially stated here to-day.

M. Volosine has appealed to the Polish Government for co-operation with the new State.—Trans-Ocean.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA SHREWS POWERS

BRATISLAVA, Mar. 15. M. KARL SIDOR, the former Prague Government's nominee as Minister of the Interior in the Slovak Cabinet, has gone on a holiday.

It will last for four weeks, and it is not expected that he will return to office.—Reuter.

Meanwhile, Premier Tiso, whose appeal to Hitler, on behalf of Slovak independence succeeded, has temporarily taken charge of the Ministry of the Interior.—Trans-Ocean.

NO ARMY

The new Slovak Republic will be completely shorn of all powers.

It will have no army and will be entirely dependent upon Germany for maintenance of territorial integrity.

German troops have already invaded the new Republic, for the purpose of "restabilishing order."

The population of the new Republic is 3,234,000, as compared with the former population of 14,000,000 of the Czechoslovakian Republic.

Some quarters believe that Herr Hitler will maintain the fiction of Slovakian independence in order to provide a buffer between the new

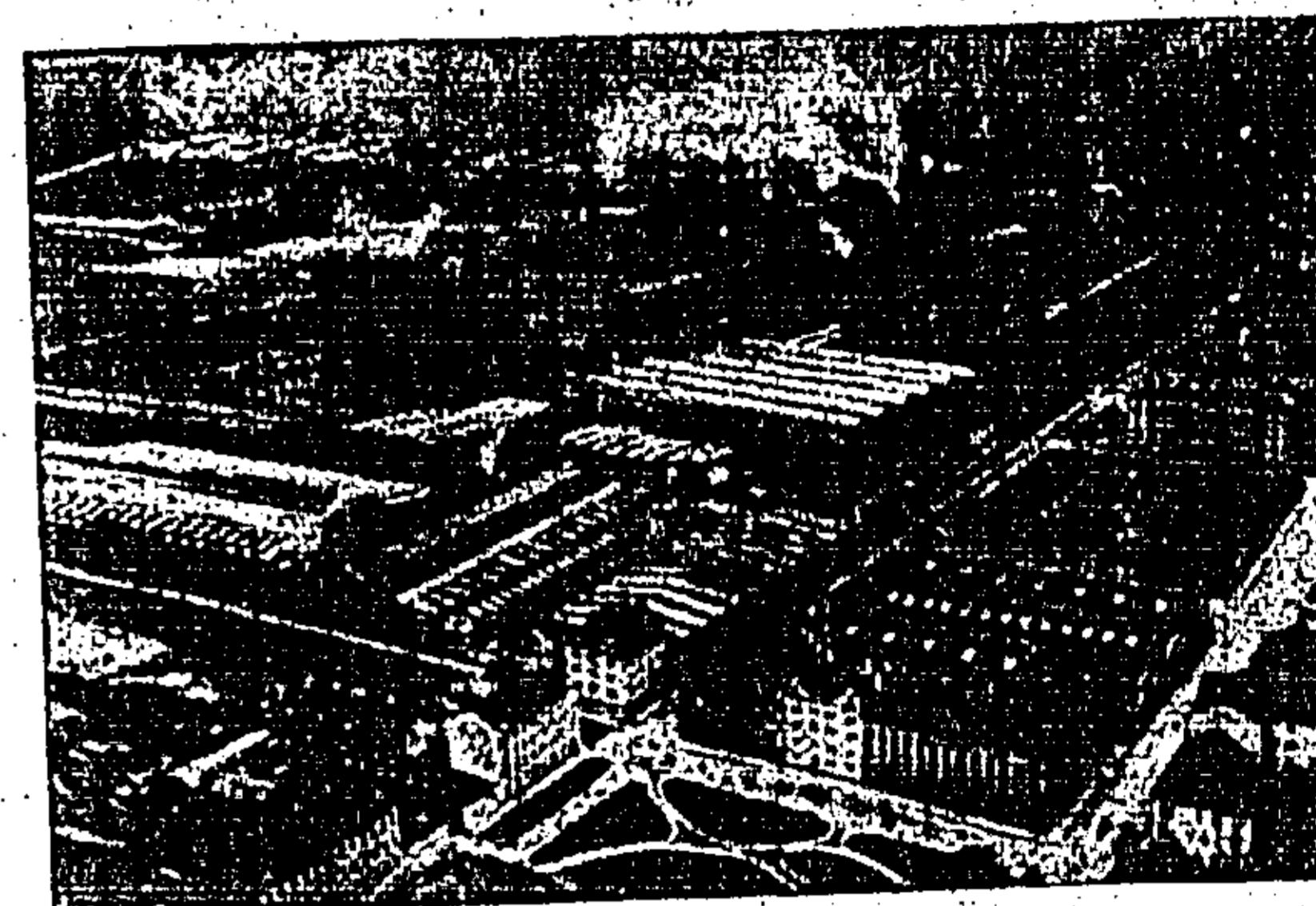
and Germany in Eastern Europe, or by Italy in the Mediterranean?

The general view is that Germany will be too absorbed in her recent acquisitions to promise Mussolini 100 per cent support for the Italian claims.

However, it would be unwise to form strong hopes on such a light foundation.—Reuter.

The P. & O. steamer *Jephope* is due here to-morrow at about 11 a.m.

Wire and instal the microphone for the *Evening Standard* broadcast.



A VIEW OF THE vast Czech armament works near Pilsen. These will now become German property.

CHINA LOAN BILL IS INTRODUCED

Interest At Rate Of 2 3/4 Per Cent.

LONDON, Mar. 15.

SIR JOHN SIMON, Chancellor of the Exchequer, to-day introduced into the House of Commons, the China Currency Stabilisation Bill, providing for the establishment of a £10,000,000 fund to check undue fluctuations in the sterling value of the Chinese dollar.

He said that the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation would subscribe £3,000,000, the Chartered Bank of India and Australia would provide £2,000,000, and the Bank of China and the Bank of Communications would jointly subscribe £5,000,000.

The Management of the fund was vested in a committee of five, two of which were appointed jointly by the Chinese banks, one each by the Hongkong and Shanghai and the Chartered banks, and one would be a British expert appointed by the Chinese Government in agreement with the approval of the British banks.

DUTY OF COMMITTEE

The duty of the committee would be to determine from day to day the policy best suited to achieve the purpose of checking undue fluctuations in the sterling value of the Chinese dollar.

The Hongkong and Shanghai and the Chartered banks would receive interest every six months at 2 3/4 per cent. The Chinese banks would undertake to pay interest insofar as it was not met by earnings from any

MEMEL MAY JOIN REICH

To Seek German Protection?

PARIS, Mar. 15.

THE BERLIN BUREAU of "Havas" reports that rumours current in Berlin say that German nationalists residing in Memel Territory in Lithuania and Danzig Free City, encouraged by the annexation of Czechoslovakia by Germany, still held the symbol of Greater Germany, still held the angry crowds in the streets until the last minute before the curfew.

The hatred of Germany is so striking that Hitler's lieutenants dismiss the possibility.

An angry show of nationalism by thousands of Czechs who sang their national anthem and booted and ridiculed the German army under the muzzles of machine guns, raised the question in the minds of many, whether Hitler would not find them just as hard to handle as the House of Habsburg.—United Press.

RICH FARM LANDS

Berlin, Mar. 15.

Although, technically speaking, Bohemia and Moravia will probably remain to certain degree under a local administrative autonomy, for all practical purposes the historic home and of the Czech people will henceforth be merely provinces of the Reich, which will receive an additional population of more than seven million, together with rich farm lands from whence to obtain, without currency difficulties, its vitally needed agricultural produce.

Measures expected to be taken include:

1.—The incorporation of the Bohemian and Moravian financial and Customs systems with the Reich.

2.—The provinces will be brought in the near future within the scope of General Goering's four year plan.

3.—Berlin to take over the Prague Bank's full gold reserves.

4.—The Czech army to be disbanded and the Reich to assume the

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GERMANY AGREES

According to Berlin report, a source close to the Government declares that no demarcation has been made by Germany to Budapest demanding the withdrawal of Hungarian troops from Ruthenia.

It is believed that no such demarcation is contemplated.

The Vienna agreement was a "thing of the past," and it is a safe bet that Hungary would not have marched into Ruthenia if Germany had objected.—United Press.

See Back Page For Further Late News

Investments held for the sterling account fund in London, and the Treasury will guarantee payments of interest.

The Treasury will also guarantee the British banks against any loss up to £5,000,000 when the fund is wound up.

EXCESS TO TREASURY

If, on winding up, the British banks receive in sterling, apart from interest more than the original subscription, they will pay the excess to the Treasury.

The arrangements will remain in force for a year, but can be renewed for further periods of six months.

The British banks, with the consent of the Treasury, or the Chinese banks, with the consent of the Chinese Government, can determine the arrangements at any time by giving seven days' notice.—Reuter.

UNIQUE BROADCAST BY LADY NORTHCOTE

TO-NIGHT, for the first time in the history of our Colony, the First Lady of Hongkong will make a broadcast speech from Government House.

Lady Northcote has graciously consented to talk to radio listeners on the subject of the work of the Y.W.C.A. The broadcast will commence at 8.00 p.m.

Lady Northcote's speech, which will be given from her study in Government House, will be broadcast by ZBYW.

Electrical filters arrived at Government House at 11.30 a.m. to

wire and instal the microphone for the evening's broadcast.

March 16, 1939.

The King Commands Ballet Gala at Covent Garden

M. LEBRUN WILL BE GUEST OF HONOUR

FOR the first time since pre-war days a Royal Command ballet performance is to be given at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, on March 22.

It will be held in honour of the French President and Madame Lebrun, who are in London on a State visit. And thus, for a night, the stateliest of all theatres will once again be the scene of pageantry and royal pomp.

Every man present will wear uniform or Court dress. Women will be expected to wear tiaras and other jewelled adornments.

FESTOONS OF FLOWERS

Festoons of blooms will be used to decorate the auditorium. But only those near the Royal boxes will be real, as the scent would otherwise be too overpowering.

Ycomen of the Guard in their picturesque Tudor uniforms will line the grand staircase at the King and Queen and their guests arrive.

If precedent is followed, the entire Opera House will be at the disposal of the King and Queen and their guests. Price and the position of seats will make no difference and stalls and gallery will be occupied by royal guests. As in the past, royal permission will be given for some boxes and seats to be sold. But the prices will be high.

PROGRAMME CHOSEN

The great boxes will occupy almost the whole of the grand tier, the cen-

tral one being for the King and Queen and M. and Mme. Lebrun. On either side will be members of the Diplomatic Corps and their wives and leaders of the Government.

In the past the foyer on the first floor has served as an ante-room to the royal box, and it is anticipated that this arrangement will be repeated.

The King and Queen have chosen the programme, which will be provided by the Vic-Wells Ballet and the London Philharmonic Orchestra. Like their foreign guests, their Majesties keenly enjoy ballet.

SILK LANDMARK

MT. PLEASANT, O.
A building in which the first American silk was grown has been ordered razed by the state fire marshal. Built in 1942 by John W. Gill, the structure served as a place for development of silk worm cocoons.



COLONEL WEARS A HAT—Here's Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, right, in an unusual situation. He's wearing a hat. Besides that fact, instead of boarding an airplane, he's going aboard the English Channel boat at Dover, England, to return to Paris, where he and his family live temporarily. The American aviator has been studying European aviation.

THE NEWS OF THE HOUR . . .



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TO-MORROW
QUEEN'S SATURDAY
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The King Will Take His Crown To Canada

The Queen Will Wear Hers Too—With Koh-i-noor

Fashion Secrets Closely Kept

WHEN the King and Queen go to Canada in the spring it has been decided that they shall take royal crowns with them. This will be the first time in history that British Crown Jewels have crossed the Atlantic.

Most likely the crown to be taken by the King will be the Imperial State Crown, which has been altered to suit and which he has already worn three times.

It contains a pair of Queen Elizabeth's earrings and the romantic Stuart raphael, smuggled out of the country by James II, and restored to the Crown years afterwards.

The Queen's crown which she will take has the Koh-i-noor diamond set in it.

It is made of platinum and set entirely with diamonds. It has detachable creches so that it can be worn as an open crown.

The Queen will be able to detach the Koh-i-noor from her crown and wear it on other occasions planned to her dress.

SPECIALLY DESIGNED FOR THE QUEEN

An interesting tradition about this famous stone, and one always respected by the Royal Family, is that it must be worn only by a woman for fear of an ancient curse.

Tremendous efforts are being made both from Canada and the United States to penetrate the closely guarded secrets of the dresses which have been specially designed for the Queen. A sum such as £1,000 has been offered for a model of one dress.

No details are to be made known until the Queen actually appears in them, but this much is hinted—they will launch new vogues.

The Queen will take fifty gowns and coats with her and a hat for each day ensemble. On some days she will wear three different outfit, and the crowded schedule demands that these changes shall be made with the maximum speed possible.

SO EFFECTIVE ON PARIS VISIT

Here is a forecast of the trends which the Queen's clothes will follow:—Colours will include no black, but some black and white, a good

deal of white, which proved so effective on the Paris visit, several shades of blue, which has been her favourite colour from girlhood, and pastel tints. Daytime fashions will be based on neat defined waists, flared skirts and shorter hemlines.

"Garden party" gowns will be included, some short sleeved to be worn with elbow-length gloves.

For summer dresses modernist designs are ruled out; natural flower patterns will be featured.

Hats, while actually fairly flat, will be built up in the crown to give an impression of height. This effect will be achieved partly by artificial flowers so natural that they could be mistaken for the real thing instead of feather trimmings such as the Queen has been wearing lately.

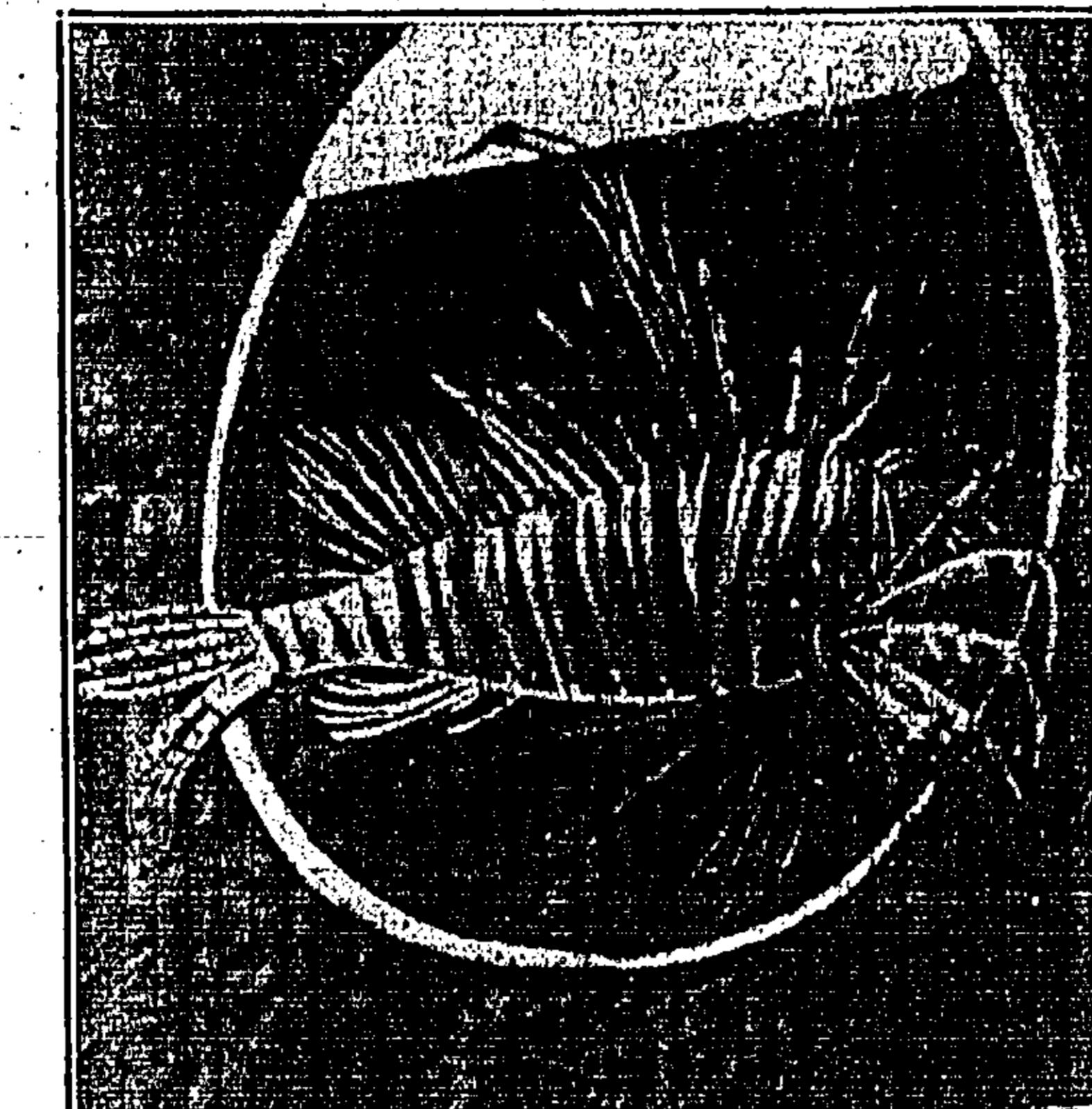
Fur trimming will be less in evidence than in the past, but the Queen will take with her several hand-some furs.

A marked difference is anticipated between the clothes designed for Canada and those to be worn in the U.S.A.

The reason for this is that Canadians have expressed the wish that their Queen shall look as "regal" as possible, while in the United States the King and Queen will be regarded as the head of a friendly State and his consort rather than as state-visiting royalty.

TAX FREE GASOLINE

REGINA, Sask. When motorists or truck drivers use purple gasoline for other than farm purposes, they are liable to have their cars or trucks impounded from six weeks to two months. The occasion a special lunch-hour



FISH LEAPS LOOP—Dr. Mieczyslaw Oxner, Ichthyologist at Monte Carlo aquarium, asserts that fish have intelligence. To prove it, he exhibits a scorpion-fish, which he has trained to leap through a hoop, as above.

Girls Told Don't Wed Old Men

LONDON business girls, sitting in Christ Church, Westminster, S.W., recently, heard solemn warnings against:

Marrying men much older than themselves; Marrying foreigners; and Keeping on with their jobs after marriage.

The speaker was Mrs. Helena Normanton, Britain's senior practising woman barrister. She is married to Mr. Gavin B. W. Clark (says "Who's Who"), but retains her maiden surname as her legal name.

The occasion a special lunch-hour

address arranged by the Alliance of Honour.

UNSUCCESSFUL

"My heart sinks every time I see a story in the newspapers about a May and December marriage," Mrs. Normanton said, when talking about things that tend to break up marriage.

"It is against the law of Nature for a young woman to marry an aged man. Such marriage are often unsuccessful."

"It is our duty to stop them, and we can do so by showing our disapproval of such weddings when they seem likely to take place within our own circle of friends. My advice would be to try to prevent such a marriage from taking place."

A middle-aged woman sitting next to me said "Hear, hear" under her breath (writes a "Daily Herald" reporter), and the younger ones looked solemn.

NEW GIRL FRIEND

Young wives who insist on keeping on their jobs after marriage, even when their husbands object, were warned that this might lead to trouble, unless they are brilliant professional or scientific women.

"I hear a lot about this in my profession," said Mrs. Normanton, confidentially.

"Not long ago there was the case of a young wife who got a job 30 miles from her home. She saw her young husband only at week-ends, and then she was surprised when she discovered he had found a new girl friend and she had to divorce him."

Girls who are thinking of marrying foreigners got a warning too.

"Don't do it unless you are perfectly sure that you understand each other in every way" was the advice to them.

WAGES OF WIVES?

Two elderly women sitting in front of me looked crestfallen when they were told that Mrs. Normanton does not agree with wages for wives.

"Such an idea is all against the spirit of marriage," said Mrs. Normanton, who told them that marriage is an equal partnership.

"I think it would be wrong to advocate putting wives on the same level as a paid employee with this difference, that she has a contract for life and cannot be dismissed."

"It would lower the whole marriage institution, and women would, in the end, suffer for it."

EMPIRE NEWS

FLIER WHO SET UP A RECORD KILLED

Calcutta. Lt. Pulowsky, the German aviator who in December claimed to have set up a long-distance record by flying from Benghal, Tripoli, to Gaya, Bihar, British India, was killed at Madras recently.

He was giving a demonstration flight with an Indian, Mr. Ratnam, as passenger, and the crash took place shortly after the plane had left the aerodrome. Mr. Ratnam died from his injuries.

Lt. Pulowsky and Lt. Jenett, his companion on the record flight, were returning to Berlin leisurely from Australia.

Sandbags.—The Indian Jute Mills Association states that it has no knowledge of a further large order for sandbags reported to have been given by Britain.

Congress and League.—A Congress resolution for India's immediate withdrawal from the League of Nations, because "the League had failed to implement the Sanctions article of the Covenant," and Britain had persisted in following a wrong policy in Palestine, was passed by the Legislative Assembly by 55 votes to 45.

India's membership of the League is a matter over which the Legislature under the present Constitution has no authority.—Reuter.

SOUTH AFRICA

LORD MARLEY ON HIS BANNED BROADCAST

Johannesburg. Lord Marley commented recently on the refusal of the South African Broadcasting Corporation to allow him to broadcast his address on "Refugees and the International Situation."

Anyone, he said, who read the statement he proposed to make with an open mind would agree that it was so concerned with the facts that it became a matter of public interest and was not in any sense a political commentary.

Defence Register.—Mr. Pirov, Minister of Defence, stated in the House of Assembly recently that his department was considering in what way the Defence Act could be supplemented by voluntary assistance. This would necessitate the establishment of special units.

AUSTRALIA

BRITAIN'S SHORTAGE OF SHIPS

Sydney. Earl Beatty stated in an interview recently, on his arrival from New Zealand, that Britain had 2,000 fewer merchant ships than she had in 1914.

He doubted, he said, whether she had sufficient ships for her needs in a war crisis. The building up of the British Merchant Marine was an essential part of the Empire rearmament programme.

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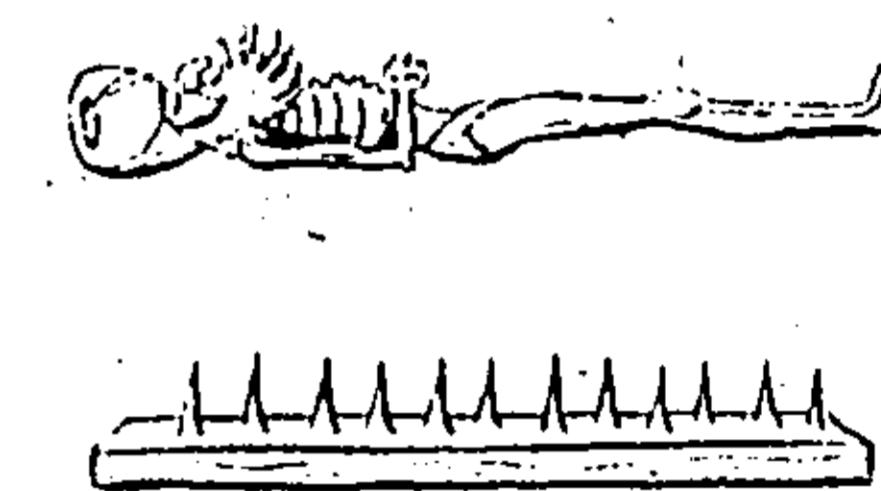
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CURFEW IN PRAGUE

(Continued from Page 1)

plete defence of Bohemia and Moravia.

5.—The Nuremberg Jew laws will probably be introduced in the new territory.—United Press.

TENSION AMONG NEIGHBOURS

Prague, Mar. 15. Herr Hitler and his army marched East to-day, crossing the last part of democratic Czechoslovakia, while Hungary, Poland and Rumania fought to share the spoils.

Meanwhile, Rumania is reported to be mobilising her frontier reinforcements possibly to make a bid for a slice of Ruthenia.

There is general tension in Yugoslavia, and the authorities have decided to take military precautions on the northern frontier facing Hungary and Rumania.

Terror prevailed in Prague to-day among those who fear Nazi reprisals, especially the Jews. It is reported that many suicides have taken place.

The arrival of 800 Nazi secret police has increased apprehension.

The atmosphere was so hostile that the German forces imposed on 8 p.m. curfew and troops carried riot guns in addition to their ordinary arms. It is reported that they mounted machine guns at strategic points to command the crowds.

It is noteworthy that it is the first time Hitler's soldiers have ever been seen publicly.—United Press.

"Biggest Fire" In Manila Million Pesos Loss In Conflagration

MANILA, Mar. 16.

THE BIGGEST FIRE so far this year has gutted the Philippine Education Company's bodegas and also the McCullough Printing Company in the Quiapo district.

The fire broke out at 11.40 last night.

Damage is reported at between 1,000,000 and 1,500,000 pesos in buildings, machinery, paper, books, magazines and office equipment.

There were no casualties, and the fire was brought under control about 2 o'clock this morning.

Investigations disclosed that the fire started on the second floor of McCullough Company's offices in a wing of the building where two men were working overtime.

The cause has not yet been determined, but there is a theory that it may have been due to electric wiring trouble.—United Press.

EXTORTION CASE

Clerk Remanded For Sentence

Convicted on a charge of attempted extortion by Mr. Q. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, a man named Fu Yun-ming, 32, clerk, was remanded in police custody for 24 hours prior to sentence being passed. Mr. Macfadyen said that the sentence will be \$250 or three months' hard labour, to date from March 6.

The defendant was accused of having attempted to extort \$1,000 from Loong Sheung, former Chief Paymaster of the Shanghai Public Safety Bureau, by threatening to publish certain matters alleging that Loong had appropriated certain monies paid to him by the Chinese Government authorities as wages for persons working under him two years ago.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of the Company, 2 Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on Monday, 27th March, 1939, at Noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1938.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from 16th to 27th March, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

E. COCK,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1939.

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Notice to Shareholders

The Seventieth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the under-signed on Friday, the 24th March, 1939, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1938.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 10th to the 24th March, 1939, both days inclusive.

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ST. PATRICK'S DAY

FRIDAY—17TH MARCH, 1939.

A wreath will be laid at the CENOTAPH by the President and Committee of St. Patrick's Society, at 11.00 a.m.

Members of the Society and their friends are asked to assemble under the verandah at the North side of the Supreme Court prior to the ceremony.

ST. PATRICK'S BALL

PENINSULA HOTEL—9.30 p.m.

Members of St. Patrick's Society of Hong Kong and their guests are informed that there will be a Special FIVE MINUTES Service of "STAR" FERRIES from HONG KONG to KOWLOON between 9.00 p.m. and 9.30 p.m. on 17th March and SPECIAL FERRIES from KOWLOON to HONG KONG at 2.00 a.m., 2.45 a.m. and 3.15 a.m. on the following morning. The last ordinary Ferry leaves at 1.15 a.m.

A BUFFET SUPPER will be served from 11.30 p.m. to 1.30 a.m. Tables may be booked with the Management of the Peninsula Hotel before 7.00 p.m. on the night of the Ball.

Admission to the Ball is by ticket only which is to be presented at the MAIN ENTRANCE to the Hotel.

Tickets may be obtained from Mr. P. J. A. Hamilton, Hon. Treasurer, P.O. Box 417 or Harbour View Hotel, Chatham Road, Kowloon.

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Notice to Shareholders

THE FIFTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on THURSDAY, 23rd MARCH, 1939, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 13th March, 1939, to THURSDAY, the 23rd March, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary and Manager,
Hongkong, 4th March, 1939.

G. S. R.

1939—1940.

Sealed Tenders will be received at the Royal Naval Hospital, until 10 a.m. on the 21st March, 1939, from persons desirous of supplying Beef, Mutton, Fowls, Pork, Cheese, Pure Cow's Milk, Ice, and other provisions and necessaries, for the year ending 31st March, 1940.

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G. V. HOERS,
Surgeon Captain,
Medical Officer in Charge,
Royal Naval Hospital,
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15th March, 1939.

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS

of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 20th day of March, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Ngau Shi Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

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Trade Parleys Cancelled

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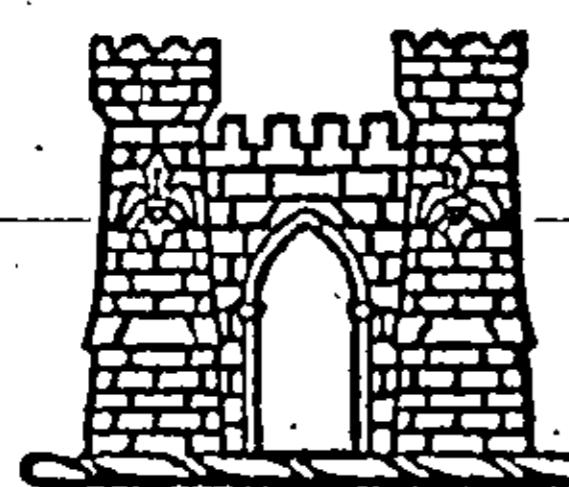
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DEATH

SOUZA—At the St. Paul's Hospital,
early this morning, Genovese
Isabel de Xavier e Souza, at the
age of 63 years, the funeral will
pass the Monument at 6.30 p.m.
to-day.

The Hongkong Telegraph.
Wyndham St., Hongkong
'Phone 26615
March 16, 1939

Map Makers

THE FULL RESULTS of what
happened at Munich are now
manifest. They confirm fears ex-
pressed at the time. Czechoslovakia is now what Hitler set
out to make it—part of the Greater
Reich.

The unfortunate Republic, born
of the Great War, may be likened
to a human corpse. The arms
were amputated in September, the
head is now severed and becomes
a German trophy; Hungary takes
the Ruthenian legs. There re-
mains but the torso of Slovakia,
which becomes, in all but name,
a vassal State of Germany.

In accepting the "advice" of
Great Britain and France in
September last, Czechoslovakia
sealed her fate. True, there
would have been war—a war on
a terrifying scale into which the
whole of Europe would have been
dragged—but Czechoslovakia, in
the light of subsequent events,
could hardly have been the loser.

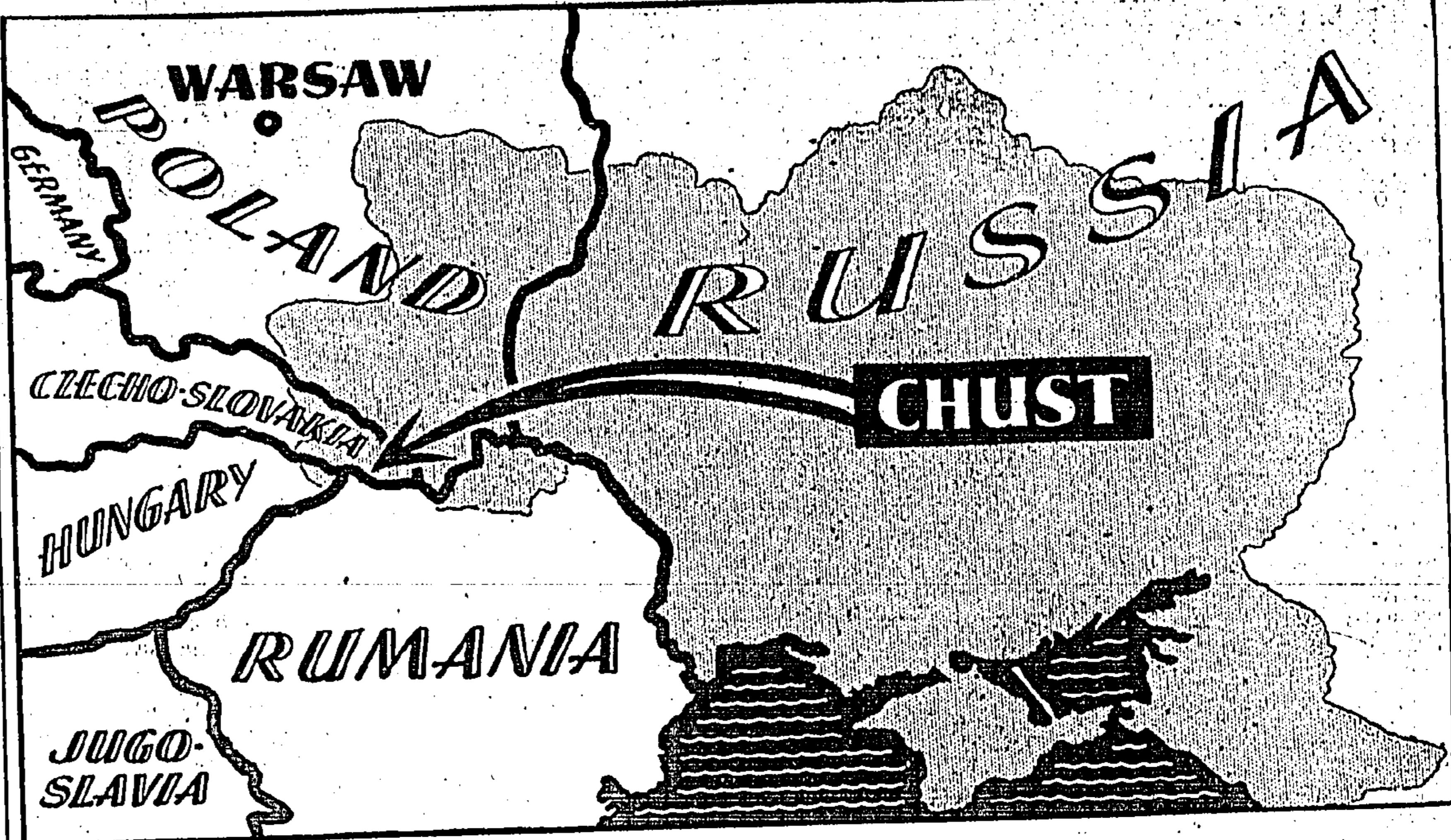
Like Belgium in 1914 she would
have paid dearly in the blood of
her patriots, but she would have
gained honour and freedom for
her children. Out of Belgium's
sorrow and torment of the four
years of Great War emerged a
country free and unshackled,
honoured by the democracies of
the world for the part she played
in defending Right against Might
and, indeed, defended by those
democracies for her steadfast
resolution to uphold her integrity.

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Village all Europe is watching

UNTIL a few months
ago Chust was just a
mountain village.
Now it is Europe's newest
capital, and its handful of
broken-down victorias—
there are no such things as
taxis—are working over-
time carrying all sorts of
imposing personages
through the muddy streets.

The streets are so muddy that on
rainy days carts and carts often get
stuck altogether, and people walking
find themselves ankle-deep in the
mud. Most of the days seem rainy.

There are only two inns in the
village. They are full to over-flowing.

The Government building is just
the old urban district council offices.
It has three storeys and is the highest
building in the village. It is even
built of stone.

Of the newcomers to the village,
two stand out. They are the Consul-
general of Germany and Italy.
sent there when, after Munich, Chust
became the capital of the new auto-
nomous province of Carpatho-
Ukraine. You used to know it as
Ruthenia.

Other people followed these two
to Chust. A connoisseur of European
underground politics would have
recognised them easily. They
were all experts in espionage, civil
war, guerilla warfare, intrigue and
bribery.

The 20,000 inhabitants of Chust
slowly woke up to their new impor-
tance. To begin with, they got a
new aerodrome and the villagers
looked with surprise at the big shiny
German Junker planes that began to
crash overhead.

What made Hitler insist on
refusing to divide Carpatho-Ukraine,
with its little capital at Chust, be-
tween Hungary and Poland? Why is
Chust so full of ambassadors and
secret agents?

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"Anti-Russia Moves

The answer to these questions
takes us back to the day when the
Tsar ruled in Russia and when deep
underground—men were fighting for
the independence of the Ukraine.

The Tsar would have none of such
men. He sent the leaders off to prison-
camps in Siberia when he caught them.
Those who escaped him fled abroad,
and settled in the fringes of
Ukrainian territory which belonged
to the Austrian Empire.

There they set up a "Ukrainian In-
formation Office" and carried on
anti-Russian activities.

When the Tsar collapsed and the
Bolsheviks came to power, these
Ukrainian "separatists" thought that
their moment had come.

They formed an "Association for
the Liberation of the Ukraine and
the Destruction of Russia," moved
into Russo-Ukrainian territory, elect-
ed a Central Committee in Kiev and
proclaimed the independence of the
Ukraine.

Petljura The Terrible

They had the support of many re-
actionary, anti-Bolshevik elements.

Naturally the Soviets did not want

to lose the rich wheatfields of the
Ukraine. They fought back, but
were repelled by invading German

and Austrian troops, who protected

the independent Ukraine and sup-
ported the first "Hetman" (leader),

Skoropadski, a Cossack general.

A complete military and political
organisation was built up. Officers
and men were given uniforms.
These resemble the German storm-
troop uniforms, but are grey-blue in
colour instead of brown. The
Ukrainian stormtroops are called
Siczy Guards (Sharp-shooters).

For years Zieliński has carried on
his work building up this organisa-
tion. At first he worked in secret,
because Germany and Poland were
supposed to be on good terms with
one another.

Now he has come out in the open
with his men. They were put to offic-
ial use for the first time after the
Munich agreement. In Carpatho-
Ukraine Siczy Guards do police duty
to-day.

Now you see why Hitler insisted
on an autonomous Ukrainian State.
Chust was to be the spring-board
of future Ukrainian developments.
Zieliński moved his Central Com-
mittee to Chust. Supported and
financed from Germany, he was the
man chosen to lead the pan-
Ukrainian movement.

He takes his orders from Hitler,
And Hitler, following his old practice,
appointed a Commissioner for the
Ukraine with headquarters in Berlin.
He is Nikola Suschko, a former officer
in Petljura's army.

What is the point of the Berlin
Bureau? and of the Central Com-
mittee in Chust? What does Hitler
want them to do?

Terrorist bands were organized and
armed. These bands are raiding
Polish and Russian territory.

Already several battles have taken
place. The flags carried by the bands
are blue and gold, like the ones that
fly above Zieliński's office.

Emissaries of Zieliński stir up
trouble in the Ukrainian parts of
Poland goading on the people to
demand autonomy for the Polish
Ukraine.

The Polish authorities are fighting
the terrorists, but the story of Austria
and the Sudetenland, and later
Czechoslovakia shows how
difficult it is to stamp out such move-
ments. The Siczy Guards stick to
the tactics used by the illegal stormtroops
in all the countries where Hitler has
planted them.

But Hungary remembered that
what is now Carpatho-Ukraine was
once part of Hungary. That is why
Hungarian troops are now marching
across the country. And Hungarians
know how to conduct underground
fighting just as well as the Germans.

War Of The Brigands

There is close friendship between
Hungary and Germany just now. So
the fight was waged out of sight ille-
gally, both parties supporting and
financing their brigands and agents
on the quiet.

Hungary has had her agents in
Carpatho-Ukraine for some time.
Some years ago I met one of the most
distinguished Czech journalists in
Vienna. He was introduced to me as
the Editor of a Ruthenian paper,
"Ruska Pravda."

He came to Vienna frequently, and
later I learned that he was the principal
fighter for Ukrainian independence,
highly esteemed by his fellow
Ukrainians scattered in various
countries.

He had done much to strengthen
Ukrainian feeling in Czechoslovakia,
in Poland and in Russia. If the
dream of an independent Ukrainian
State had come true, he would have
been its first Premier. His name was
Alexandre Brody.

I met him again later, and one day
walked with him through the streets of
Vienna, accompanying him to the
Bankgasse. Suddenly he said good-
bye and went on alone. I saw him enter
the building of the Hungarian Legation.

Not until recently, I must confess,
did I realise that Brody's Hungarian
relations had a deep importance.

After the Munich agreement, when
Ruthenia was declared an autono-
mous State within the new Czechoslovakia,
the first Premier of this "Carpatho-Ukraine" was Alexander
Brody.

Brody went to Prague to confer
with the Czech Premier, Srovy. He
made surprising demands: a plebiscite
must be held in Carpatho-Ukraine, so
that the population could decide its
own fate. There was no doubt that
such a plebiscite would result in a
vote for Czechoslovakia, but
for Hungary.

Srovy jumped to his feet angrily.
Brody, it is shouted, was a traitor to
the new Czechoslovakia. "Get out
(Continued on Page II.)

GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichy



"The first dress I try on you like and want me to buy—Well,
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BRITAIN'S DEFENCE

Air Force Strength Deters Aggression

LONDON, Mar. 15. NATIONAL DEFENCE was the subject of an important speech by Lord Chatfield in the House of Lords to-day. In his reply to the debate on this question.

He emphasised Mr. Chamberlain's recent declaration that our policy of defence did not mean that we did not intend to have both the will and the means to strike back if we were attacked.

There was a time when the problem of dealing with the bomber was regarded with something like despair; such a feeling was no longer justified, if ever it was.

Developments in recent years had undoubtedly reduced the old supremacy of the offensive over the defensive in air warfare, and he assured the House that none of the components of air defence was being neglected.

The strength of the fighting force was being extremely augmented, counter-offensive force had also been the subject of equally careful scrutiny, and measures to strengthen it were also actively in hand.

BEST IN WORLD

The latest types of bombers now being delivered to the airforce were believed to be the best in the world.

"The Government is determined to build up counter-offensive forces of such a strength as they may, in conjunction with the fighter aircraft and batteries, deter an aggressor from attacking us at all, or if it should unfortunately fail to do this, will give us all the necessary means for attack as well as defence."—Reuter.

JACK TARS OF AIR

Lord Chatfield added: "I am convinced that just as we have been able over many centuries to rely confidently on our sailors to seek out and destroy the fleet of the enemy, so we shall be able in the future, with our airmen supported on the land by our soldiers, to defend similarly these islands from the air fleets of an aggressor."—Reuter.

ANGLO-FRENCH CO-OPERATION

London, Mar. 16. Replying to questions, Mr. Geoffrey Shakespeare, Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty, declared in the House of Commons to-day, that if Britain and France found themselves allied in any future war, it was contemplated that naval co-operation would be complete.

Conversations had already begun between the respective naval staffs, and were being continued.—Reuter.

Briton Killed In Air Raid

Chungking, Mar. 16.

A British missionary is reported to have been killed yesterday when 18 Japanese planes staged a terrible air raid over the partially-ruined town of Pingding, in northeast Hunan. Forty other persons were also killed.

The British missionary was the superintendent of a hospital founded by a British Mission.

Several direct hits were made on the premises by the Japanese airmen despite the conspicuous British insignia painted on the roof. A school nearby was also leveled to the ground.

Altogether 18 Japanese machines took part in the holocaust, raining more than 100 bombs in various sections of the town.

Shan in Shensi which was severely attacked by Japanese planes on Tuesday, was again raided yesterday.

Twenty-two machines came over the city in the morning and dumped between 60 and 70 missiles. They also dropped a large number of探子手榴彈.

So far 20 civilians are known to have been killed and wounded while more than 70 houses were demolished.

Earlier in the morning, Pingding, in eastern Kansu, was attacked by 26 other planes which released some 80 bombs in the eastern outskirts.—Central News.

Burglars Climb Scaffolding

A daring burglary occurred in the office of the China Plant-Oil Lamp Company, in the S. C. M. Post building in the early hours of this morning.

Entry was obtained by breaking the glass window, the burglars climbing scaffolding which had been erected for the purpose of renovating the building.

A quantity of radio apparatus and machine tools was stolen. The culprits used two waste-paper baskets to carry away the loot. The value of the stolen property has not yet been ascertained.

Spelling Bee

How many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?

hob-knob knight-errant

hob-pokus knigglung

SWASTIKA AS NATIONAL EMBLEM OF THE PEOPLE

BOHEMIA AND MORAVIA, THE TWO CZECH STATES WHICH HAVE BEEN SEIZED BY GERMAN TROOPS, WILL BE INCORPORATED IN ALL OFFICIAL GERMAN MAPS AS PART OF THE GREATER REICH.

The swastika will be the official flag of the new German province, which will be known as Czechia.

The Czech Army will be disbanded and German troops will continue in occupation of the entire area.

SKODA FACTORY FOR REICH

Included in the German gains are the vast Skoda armaments factories.

The area of the two new German provinces is 30,426 square miles, which is more than half of the pre-September acreage of the entire Czech-Slovak Republic (54,207 square miles).

Slovakia, which will retain an unarmed independence as a semi-German state, has an area of 18,895 square miles and a population of 3,254,000. It is all that will remain on the maps of Europe to show where once stood the proud Central European Republic.

HITLER'S TRIUMPHANT ENTRY

PRAGUE, Mar. 15. HERR ADOLF HITLER made a triumphal entry into Prague at 7.45 p.m. this evening, in a snowstorm.

It is expected that a triumphal parade will be held to-morrow.

The Fuehrer took up official residence at the old castle of Prague, when his flag was hoisted over the castle tower by the castle guard, composed of a German Fascist regiment.

It is reported that Herr Hitler has commissioned General von Brauschitsch to exercise executive power in Bohemia and Moravia.

An earlier Berlin message says that Herr Hitler arrived at Boemischleipa on Bohemian territory this afternoon en route to Prague, accompanied by Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, General Keitel, General von Steilpang, the Quartermaster-General of the Army, Herr Himmler, and many other high army officers and party officers.

Herr Konrad Henlein, former Sudeten leader has been appointed civil administrator at the German army headquarters in Prague, while Herr Buerkel has been selected as head of the civil administration of Moravia at the German army headquarters in Prague.

Reports from Bratislava state that Ruthenian storm-troopers disarmed a large section of the Czech military.

GERMANS IN SLOVAKIA

Reports that German troops have marched into Slovakia are now confirmed. Troops advancing into Moravia and Bohemia encountered snow blizzards which reduced visibility to ten yards, and greatly hampered the motorised units.—Reuter and United Press messages.

CABINET RESIGNS

Prague, Mar. 15. The Czech Cabinet has resigned, and General Gajda, the Fascist leader, has been made "Fuehrer of the Czech people".—Reuter.

WALL STREET NERVOUS

New York, Mar. 15. Nervousness over the Czechoslovakian situation dominated dealings on the New York stock and share exchange to-day.

The break was the widest since January 26 when Czech bonds crashed both on the New York and London markets.

Wall Street's principal worry was concerned with the European political situation and also considerable disappointment was felt regarding domestic developments, especially over the Federal Reserve action which dissipated hopes of a margin reduction.—United Press.

ESTABLISHING RELATIONS

Prague, Mar. 15. A Czech committee for the establishment of friendly relations between the Czech nation and the German army was formed here to-day.

It consists of political and non-political groups. The political group is composed of adherents to the so-called "Vlka" movement, in which are incorporated anti-democratic and anti-Semitic aspirations of Czech youth, and which also comprise Czech Fascists.

The non-political group is divided into agricultural and industrial sections. Its members include the former Minister, M. Nečas, several Deputies of the Czech Agrarian Party, and Colonel Vítaváš as liaison officer of the Czech General Staff. The Secretary of the committee is Dr. Šotov, who was formerly secretary of the Central Union of Czech Municipalities.—Trans-Ocean.

TRUSTINGLY

Berlin, Mar. 15. A communiqué issued at 7 o'clock to-day, after the meeting with Herr Hitler, stated that President Hacha had declared that "in order to reach a final agreement, he placed the fate of the Czech people trustingly in the hands of Herr Hitler."

The Fuehrer accepted this declaration and gave expression to his decision that he placed the Czech people under the protection of the Reich, and would guarantee it an autonomous development. In its

Tokyo, Mar. 15. Desmotylus, monster animal believed to have lived in Japan approximately 20,000,000 years ago, belongs to the Ungulate family, according to Professor Masaji Ijiri of the Tokyo High School.

Desmotylus is believed to have inhabited along the coasts of the Northern Pacific including Japan and the United States, its size being about the same as that of Rhinoceros or Hippopotamus.

A number of skeletons, believedly the remains of the ancient animal, have been discovered in Japan in the provinces of Izumo, Mino and Sado, the Hokkaido and Saghalien and in America in the State of Oregon.

Interviewed by newspapermen, Professor Ijiri said that Japan was most abundant in Desmotylus skeletons. It was interesting to note Professor Ijiri added, that the task of this animal contained the same element of the tooth of human being.—Done!

GERMANY ASKED TO EXPLAIN

Stresses 'Willingness' Of The Czechs

PARIS, Mar. 15.

A COMMUNICATION from the German Government regarding developments in Central Europe was received at the Quai d'Orsay early this afternoon.

It is believed that the communication particularly stressed the fact that entry of German troops into Bohemia and Moravia took place with the assent of the Prague Government.

The German Ambassador, Count Welzec, is expected to visit the Foreign Office this afternoon.—Trans-Ocean.

PARIS IMPRESSED

PARIS, Mar. 15.

A request for information as to the exact meaning of Herr Hitler's proclamation with regard to the Czech State was made by the French Ambassador to Berlin this morning.

M. Georges Bonnet had telephone talks this morning with the Polish Ambassador and the French Ambassador in London.

This evening, M. Bonnet is receiving the German Ambassador, who will confirm the communication made this morning by which the German Government declared that its action in Czechoslovakia was taken in agreement with the Government in Prague.

The speed and gravity of the changes in Czechoslovakia has made a deep impression here, but what has most impressed the French is the passage in Hitler's proclamation declaring that Czechoslovakia is vital to Germany and that it belonged to Germany over 1,000 years.

This proclamation is regarded as abandonment of the principles of racism enunciated in "Mein Kampf", and also Hitler's statement after Munich, when he declared that National Socialism did not envisage incorporation in the Reich of non-Germans.—Reuter.

BERLIN COMMENT

BERLIN, Mar. 15.

The first official German comment on the events in Central Europe appears in the "Diplomatic Correspondence" to-day, which states that "history confers on the Czech people no claim whatever to independence."

Czech political leadership itself has now reached the conclusion that the experiment of sole Czech responsibility for Bohemia and Moravia has been a failure."

ROME COMMENT

While official circles in Rome are chary of commenting on the Czechoslovakian situation, this morning's newspapers give the trend of public opinion.

The "Telegraf" declares that "only after the Munich conference had been hastily summoned was military occupation of the whole of Czechoslovakia avoided last September. Munich might have had a great influence on the European situation, but its spirit died."—Reuter.

JAPANESE COMMENT

TOKYO, Mar. 15.

The Japanese press interprets Germany's new move as another step in her drive East.

The newspaper "Asahi Shiribun" declares that "Stalin seriously miscalculated when, in his speech to the Communist Congress, he declared that Germany had changed her Eastern drive to a Western one. The menace will be most keenly felt by Poland and Rumania."—Reuter.

Royal Salute Fired

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POOR DAY FOR C.R.C. PLAYERS AT TENNIS TOURNEY

Three Eliminated In Four Ties Yesterday

(By "Abe")

Yesterday was a bad day for Chinese R.C. players in the Colony Tennis Championships: in three out of the four singles matches decided C.R.C. men participated and in all three they were eliminated from the tournament.

Paul Kong met his Waterloo at the hands of E. C. Fincher, who played extremely well to win out in straight sets. The scores 6-2, 6-0 in his favour, against a player of Kong's calibre, are sufficient proof of the high quality of Fincher's tennis yesterday. Not only was his backhand in good working order, but he was able to keep mistakes on the forehand down to a minimum.

The court, of course, suited Fincher's chops, but slowed down Kong's shots, generally made with that racket. But this advantage apart, it was Fincher who looked the likelier one of the two to win; he made fewer mistakes and his passing shots were generally winners.

After winning the first set comfortably, Fincher broke through Kong's service after 3-3 had been called, but promptly dropped his own to level the scores at 4-4. However, he broke through his opponent's service, but this time he held his own to win out at 6-4.

If further proof was necessary to show that he will be a very difficult man to beat, Lim Thiam-tei provided it yesterday when he polished off

VETERANS TO FIGHT FOR TITLE

Len Harvey Meet Gains To-Night

London, Mar. 15. The British Empire heavyweight championship fight over 15 rounds at the Harringay Arena to-morrow between the 32-year-old Len Harvey, bantam, and the 37-year-old coloured Canadian, Larry Gains, is likely to prove a battle of ingenuity, finesse and subtlety rather than hard punching, although both promise to knock-out the opponent.

If there is a knock-out, Harvey, who has shown impressive punching ability at training, is likely to win.

To improve the television reception and to prevent any blurring of the figures, buttercup yellow canvas and blue ropes will be used.—Reuter.

Results Of Matches Played Yesterday

The following were the results of matches played yesterday:

OPEN SINGLES

George Choa beat H. G. Gon 6-1, 6-0.

A. Crawford beat Pang Oi-lam 6-4, 6-2.

Lim Thiam-tei beat Lee Yue-wing 6-3, 6-3.

E. C. Fincher beat Paul Kong 6-2, 6-4.

ACCEPTORS FOR GRAND NATIONAL

London, Mar. 16. The following are the final acceptors for the Grand National Steeple-chase which will be run on March 24:

Royal Mail (Danny Morgan), Royal Daniel (Moore), Dunhill Castle (Walwyn), Cooleen (Fawcett), Rockquilla (Carey), Jovial Judge (Goodwill), Brendan's Cotting (Owen), Dominic's Cross (Everett), Temewillow (Rimell), Perfect Part (Ward), Luck Penny (Mold), Royal (Moloney), Inverable (Hogan), Wur Vessel (R. Morgan), Second Act (Dow Deswell), Workman (Hyde), Red Freeman (Redmond), Blue Shirt (Smyth), Montreux II (Nicholson), Rock (Alder), Milano (Mr. Stoddard), Kistar (Archibald), Bachelor Prince (Isaac), West Point (Brogan), Deslys (no jockey). Under Bill (Wilson), Sporting Piper (Elder), Birth Gift (Bissell), Tuckmill (Black), Lucky Patch (Figgott), Smachis (Feakes), Drim (Morris), Pancrat (Gordon), Mecmerist (Captain Harding), Scotch Wood (no jockey), and Epiphanes (no jockey).—Reuter.

Lee Yue-wing, an extremely steady player, with the loss of six games. The former Persik champion revealed a stronger all-round game and won 6-3, 6-3.

The match between A. Crawford and Pang Oi-lam produced play of a fairly high standard, but the Kowloon C.C. man proved a trifle sturdier of the two and won in straight sets. He was also a stronger all-round player.

George Choa had some useful practice against H. G. Gon, whom he beat easily.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

Singles—O. Rumjahn v. I. M. A. Razack; Tsui Wal-pui v. Chan Chi-keung; Tsui Ping-fun v. Chin Kam-moon; Tsui Yun-pui v. Wan Tze-sam; B. Szeto v. J. W. Leonard.

Eastern, Kwong Wah In Goalless Draw

Eastern and Kwong Wah met on the Club ground yesterday in the First Division of the Hongkong Football League, the result being a goalless draw.

The game was keen, but both defences were on top of the attacks.

MEDAL GOLF

The following were the results of the L.G.U. Medal Competition of the Ladies' Section of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club played at Fanning on March 14:

Silver Division, Old Course—Mrs. D. J. Gilmore 96-15=81.

Bronze Division, New Course—Mrs. J. R. Collis 92-23=69.

Results Of Matches Played In League

London, Mar. 15. The following were the results of matches played in the Home Football programme to-day:

FIRST DIVISION

Chelsea 1 Blackpool 1
Sunderland 0 Portsmouth 1
Huddersfield 1 Liverpool 2

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Bournemouth 1 Port Vale 1

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Bradford City 2 Doncaster 1

SCOTTISH LEAGUE (FIRST DIVISION)

Clyde 2 Queen's Park 3

—Reuter.

Rugger Matches At Home

London, Mar. 15. Rugby results to-day were as follows:

RUGBY LEAGUE

Swinton 27 Brighton 0

RUGBY LEAGUE CUP (3RD ROUND REPLAY)

Hull 16 Wakefield 16

RUGBY UNION

Kent 9 United Banks 9

(at New Beckenham)

Civil Service 0 R.A.F. 2

(at Chiswick) —Reuter.



Among many top-flighters in sports who were seen recently at the Millrose A.C. meet at Madison Square Garden was Cornelia Warmerdam, above, U.S. national pole vault champion. Warmerdam's record is 11 feet, 7½ ins. Her's from the California Olympic Club. This action picture shows him going over the bar.

—Reuter.

Draw In Test Confirmed

Durban, Mar. 15. The Final Test was abandoned as a draw on the tenth day. Rain stopped play throughout to-day when England needed only 42 runs, with five wickets in hand.

The match could not be continued as the M.C.C. team have to catch their ship home. The final scores were: South Africa 530 and 481; M.C.C. 316 and 654 for 5.—Reuter's Bulletin.

Ireland Defeated By Wales

INTERNATIONAL SOCCER MATCH

London, Mar. 15. At Wrexham to-day, before 20,000 spectators, Wales defeated Ireland by three goals to one in the International soccer match.

In the Welsh team, Poland of Wrexham was in goal, and Boultre of Brentford replaced Leslie Jones of the Arsenal at inside right.

Ireland made one change from the team previously announced, Leathma, of Belfast Celtic, coming into the side in place of McMillen of Chesterfield, at centre-half.

The teams, therefore, lined up as follows:

Wales.—Poland (Wrexham); Turner (Charlton), Hughes (Birmingham); Green (Charlton), T. Jones (Everton), Dearson (Birmingham); Hopkins (Brentford), Boultre (Brentford) Glover (Grimsby); Bryn Jones (Arsenal) and Cuinner (Arsenal).

Ireland.—Breen (Manchester U.); Cook (Everton), Butler (Blackpool); Broily (Millwall), Lenthima (Belfast Celtic), Wel (Clyde); Cochrane (Leeds U.); Stevenson (Everton), Milligan (Chesterfield), Doherty (Manchester C.) and Brown (Birmingham).

Wales were confident at the start

and Curner gathered a pass from Bryn Jones to score in the seventh minute.

Milligan, however, equalised after a mix-up in the Welsh goal-mouth, but Glover restored the lead for Wales from a disputed corner kick by Curner five minutes later.

STANDARD NOT HIGH

Poly was not of a high standard; Ireland attacked boldly before the interval but were unable to break down the Welsh defence, and half-time arrived with the Welshmen leading 2-1.

After the interval, the Welsh defence was hard-pressed by the forceful Irish forwards, who instituted many sweeping movements, which were spoilt by poor finishing.

Wales eventually scored against the run of play, Boultre netting the third goal.

After this, Wales improved though Ireland finished the stronger team of the two.

The Welshmen were flattered by their margin of victory. Poland, who made his debut as goal-keeper in an International for Wales, was impressive, saving his side repeatedly.

Missed "sitters" caused the Irish defeat.—Reuter.

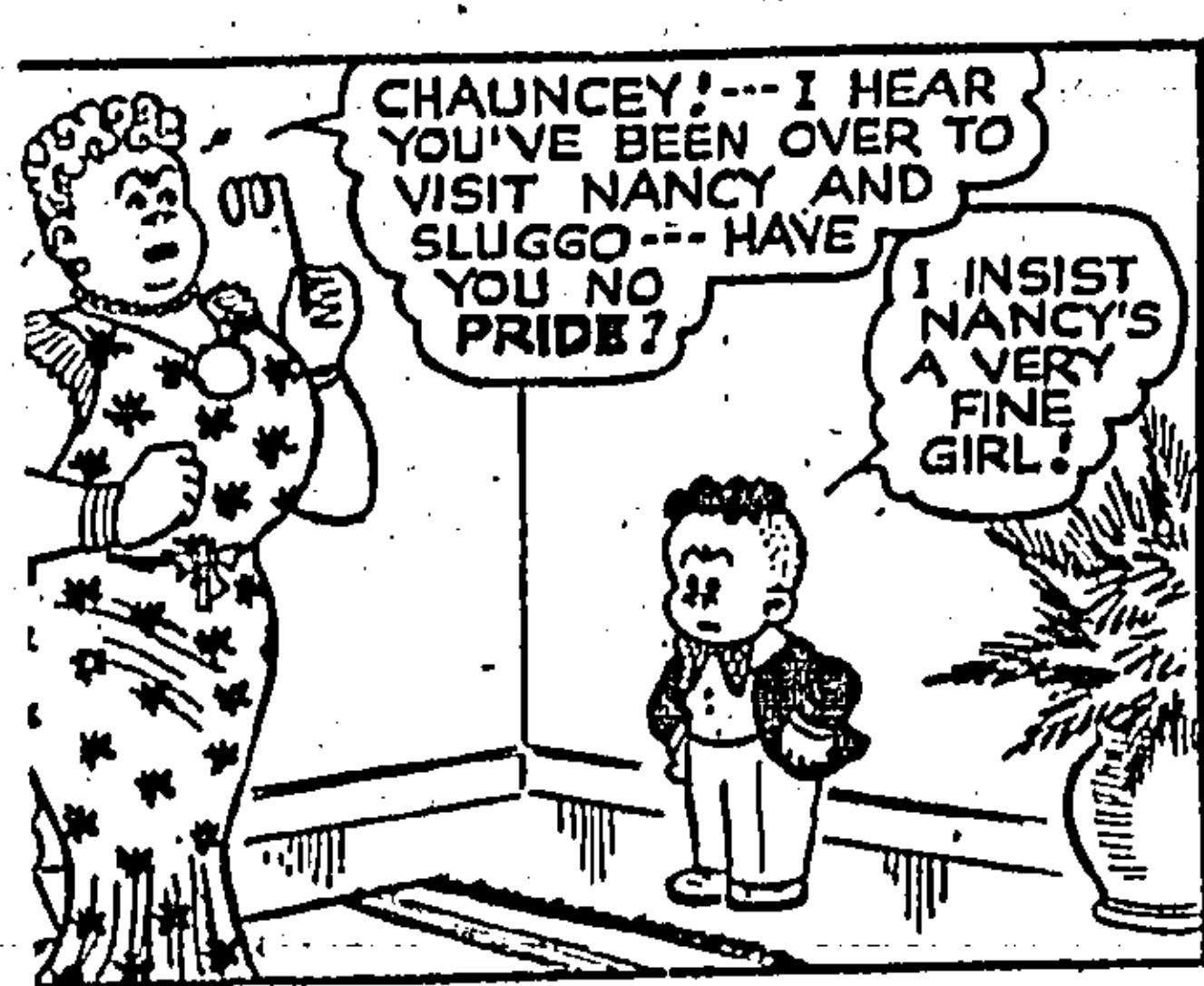
—Reuter.

Thursday,

HONGKONG TELEGRAPH

March 16, 1939.

NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

Birmingham's Cup "Tragedy" v. Everton

PENALTY CONCEDED
ONLY 3 MINUTES
FROM THE FINISH

By A. G. Shrive

Everton 2 Birmingham 1

London, Feb. 16.

Another Cup-tie tragedy occurred in this fifth-round replay at Goodison Park, and the victims were Birmingham.

With only three minutes left for play they were beaten by a penalty goal conceded by Pearson, who in the excitement of the moment headed the ball which had been headed towards goal by Boyes from Gillie's centre.

The tragedy of it was that two of his colleagues could have cleared the ball in a legitimate manner. The goalkeeper moved across and had the ball covered and Halsall, who was standing in front of him, was rising to head it away when Pearson jumped up and used his hand to stop it. Cook took the "spot" kick and drove the ball low into the net to the left of the goal-keeper. This was Cook's fifth consecutive penalty goal.

EVERTON LUCKY

A few minutes before this Pearson had nearly won the match for his side. He took the ball through at top speed, was checked and lost it, but when Thomson passed it back to a colleague Pearson followed up and fired in the best shot of the match, which was brilliantly saved by Sagar.

Immediately the match was over Clark, the Birmingham goalkeeper, ran across the field and patted Pearson on the back—a very nice gesture from one who must have been suffering from a keen sense of disappointment.

Everton can reckon themselves lucky indeed to win this game and so gain the chance of visiting Wolverhampton in the next round. They did not play near such good football as Birmingham, who are at the bottom of the First Division table while they are at the top.

Birmingham were the quicker-moving side, worked the ball more skilfully and found the open spaces much better with their passes. They must have played far above their normal form, or else they are occupying a false position in the League. Every position in the team was capably filled and the team spirit admirable.

An outstanding player was Halsall, the centre-half. He saw to it that Lawton had few chances and he was scrupulously fair in his tackling. Pearson also played a fine game, especially in attack.

BEST INSIDE FORWARD

I thought the half-back play of Birmingham was better all round than that of Everton. Jones was easily the best Everton half-back. He never got turned and covered up in defence with real judgment.

Both Birmingham backs positioned well, tackled quickly and kicked soundly, while Clark's goalkeeping was marked by good anticipation and sure holding of the ball.

Harris proved a fast and virile leader and drew the defence by

BADMINTON RESULTS

Results of the badminton matches

placed last night were:

Senior singles—C. Au beat S. F. Hon, 16-14, 15-10.

Junior singles—D. Kwok beat A. K. Clark, 15-12.

Mixed Doubles—C. Au and Miss A. C. Remedios beat A. L. Fisher and Mrs. W. Clark, 15-12.

Division match. Wanderers

defeated Kowloon Tong "A," 7-2.

E. S. Ho and C. V. Yung (Wanderers)

beat A. F. H. Castro and T. J. Tsang, 15-12; and T. J. Tsang and Y. Tsang, 17-12.

beat R. E. Lee and N. A. Mackay, 21-13.

J. S. Ho and S. L. Cheung (Wanderers)

beat Castro and Lo, 21-19; beat Fletcher

and Tsang, 21-19; beat Lee and Mackay, 16-21.

VOLUNTEERS LOSE

Command Headquarters
Win Golf Match

In a golf match played at Fanling yesterday, the China Command Headquarters defeated the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, 8-6. His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote played for the latter team. Major-General A. E. Grassett and Col. Gowland (Command Headquarters) lost to Sir Geoffrey Northcote and Lieut.-Col. H. B. Dowbiggin, 5 down.

Col. Collin and Col. Kirk (Command Headquarters) beat Col. H. B. Rose and Col. E. J. R. Mitchell, 4 up.

Col. Simson and Major Johnston (Command Headquarters) lost to Major R. D. Walker and Lieut. Redmond, 1 down.

Brig. Thomson and Col. Rogers (Command Headquarters) beat Capt. H. Owen-Hughes and Capt. Felby, 4 up.

WORLD HOCKEY

Japan To Participate In
1940 Tournament

Tokyo, Mar. 15.

Japan will be represented at the World Hockey Championships scheduled for next year at Amsterdam, according to a decision reached at the executive meeting of the Japan Field Hockey Association in Tokyo.

Thirty possible representatives will go into training from July of this year.

The Association's decision has been made in view of the fact that field hockey is not included in the programme of the Twelfth Olympiad to be held next year.

BRAWN CUP TEAM

The following will represent the C.B.A. Ladies in a Brawn Cup hockey match against the Senforths—Ladies at Shunshupoo to-day at 5.30 p.m.: Mrs. Purnell; P. MacFayden and M. MacLean; A. Webb, C. Bone and B. Louis; E. Hunt, F. Grimmitt, E. Woolley; M. Quick and I. Cunningham.

There was a thrill when Gillie chanced a through pass down the middle and shot just wide as the goalkeeper ran out and collided with him.

The Everton goal had a "lucky" escape early in the second half when Sagar dropped the ball from a low centre by Harris. As Craven dashed to the goalkeeper just managed to retrieve his error.

Birmingham were the better side throughout this half without being able to force a goal, and it looked as though extra time would be necessary until Pearson made the fatal mistake.

Everton: Sugar, Cook, Greenhalgh; Mercer, Jones (T. G.), Thompson; Gillie, Bentham, Lawton, Stevenson, Boyes.

Birmingham: Clark; Trigg, Hughes; Pearson, Halsall, Richards; Jennings, Craven, Harris, Madden, Brown.

LOCAL YACHTING

Sweepstake Race Yesterday Won By Colleen

Colleen took first place in the sweepstake race held by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club yesterday over a distance of 7.3 miles. Results:

Colleen (Rev. E. D'A. Staunton) 16.53.58

Teal (Major J. E. Donaldson) 16.43.45

La Comte (E. H. H. Johnstone) 16.42.20

Redhams (Miss M. White) 16.47.47

Panther (Capt. M. T. L. Wilkinson) 16.57.40

Robina (Lt. Sturley, R.N.) 16.51.29

Li (Miss T. M. Morris) 16.59.00

Kittiwake (Miss P. M. King) 17.00.20

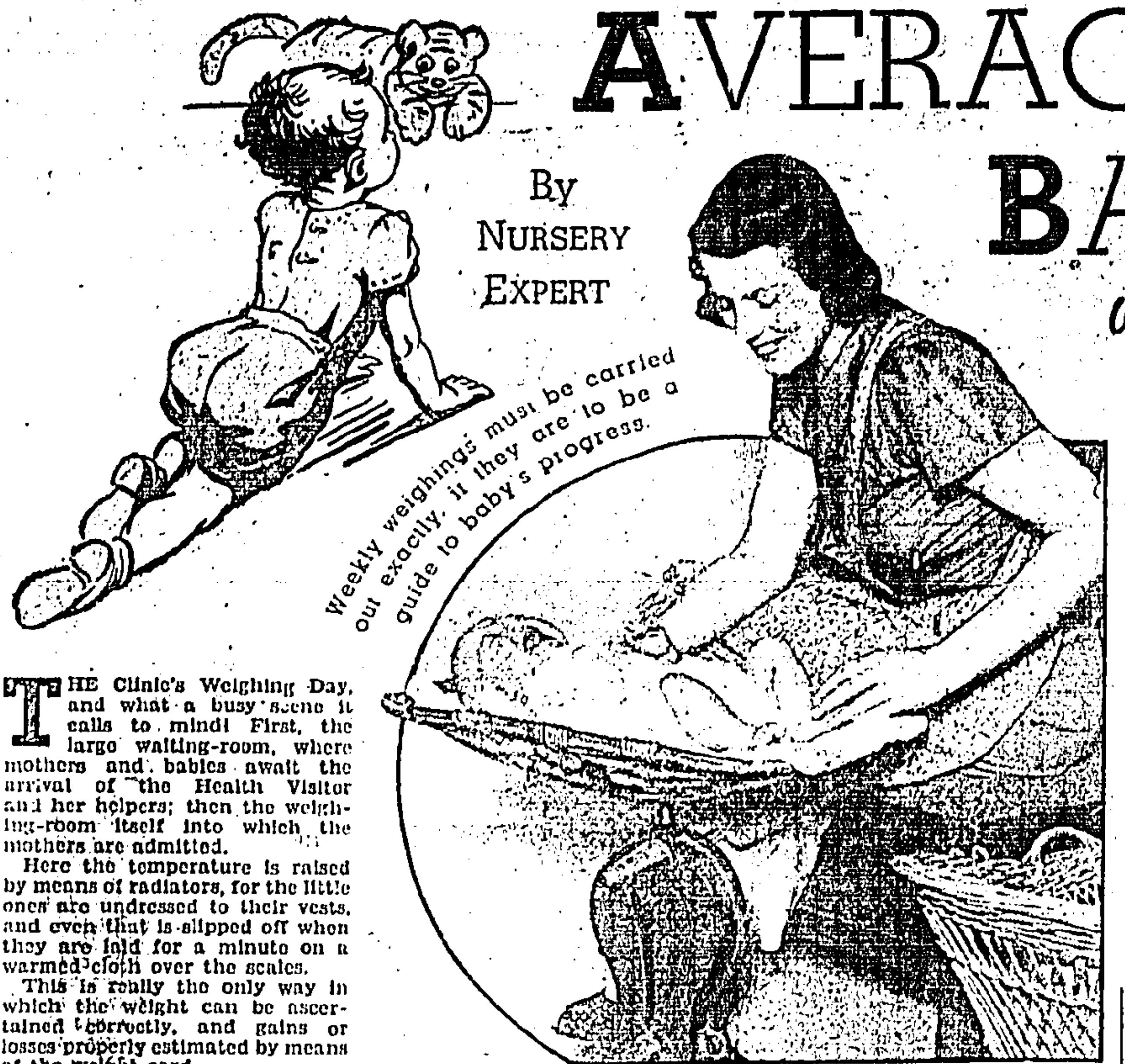
Stork (Mrs. I. S. Girling) 16.53.30

Nerid II (Mr. J. C. Meyrick, R.N.) 16.50.21

Gull (Lt. J. C. Meyrick, R.N.) 16.51.21

Teal (J. C. Meyrick, R.N.) 16.51.21

Li (J. C. Meyrick, R.N.) 16.51.21</



By
NURSERY
EXPERT

THE Clinic's Weighing Day, and what a busy scene it calls to mind! First, the large waiting-room, where mothers and babies await the arrival of the Health Visitor and her helpers; then the weighing-room itself, into which the mothers are admitted.

The temperature is raised by means of radiators, for the little ones are undressed to their vests, and even that is slipped off when they are laid for a minute on a warmed-cloth over the scales.

This is really the only way in which the weight can be ascertained accurately, and gains or losses properly estimated by means of the weight-card.

While Mother dresses her baby, nurse gives a little advice according to the information noted on this card.

Rapid Gains

If Baby is gaining too rapidly, for instance, and suffering from wind or colic pains after a feed, she will explain how best to cut down the feeds to the quantity that the infant can assimilate comfortably.

If, on the other hand, the gains are insufficient, she will go into the matter carefully, perhaps suggesting changes in the mother's diet or more rest for

MIDCE: In Waiting



"Daddy, are you still reading Bobby Bear?"

For Our Junior Readers

Burmese Stamps

New Set of PICTORIALS

UNTIL the 1st April, 1937, Burma, an eastern land with an area five times that of England, but with less than half its population, was a province of the Indian Empire.

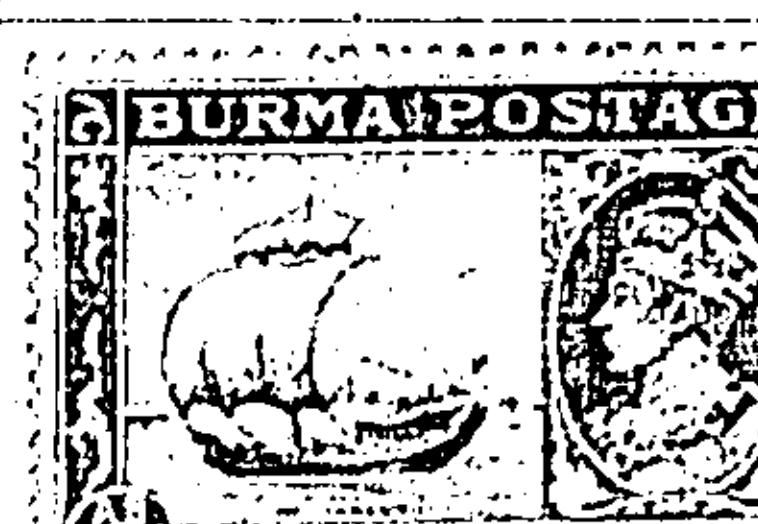
On that day it was separated from India and—of some importance to philatelists—was given its own issue of stamps.

The first set consisted only of the current Indian stamps overprinted with the word "BURMA." There was a great demand for them from collectors, who thought at the time that they would not remain in use very long as "definitive" set was run out.

It was eighteen months, however, before the new series appeared.

This King George VI set includes many interesting pictorials. Like the stamps of the neighboring country, they are typically oriental in design.

The low values (from 3 pice to 2 annas) are normal size and portray the King, as do the highest values (1 to 10 rupees), which, however, are larger stamps.



Above left: Oxen draw the plough in the rice fields of Burma.

On the left: Oxen draw the plough in the rice fields of Burma.

around the central portrait. The principal river of the country is the Irrawaddy, a mighty waterway which is navigable for nearly 1,000 miles of its length. A canoe, with wind-filled sails, on this river, is pictured on the 3 annas.

The two main exports are rice and timber. On the 31 annas can be seen a rice field in which a Burmese is guiding a plough drawn by two oxen.

An elephant pushing a huge log of teak through a forest is depicted on the 3 annas. The 21 annas illustrates the royal barge, a great pagoda-like building floating on the water.

All the pictorial values include a portrait of the King.

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The "Professional Touch" In Ironing

BEFORE your ironing is actually started, place a folded paper on the ironing sheet; this prevents damp garments from moistening the ironing sheet, which necessitates longer ironing of the garment; and also it enables one to iron the clothes much more smoothly.

Before ironing pure silk, first damp it down well and leave the garment rolled up, prior to ironing with a hot iron. The method is different with Shantung silk, which must be ironed well as soon as it is dry.

Artificial silk requires careful handling and should be pressed with a warm (never hot) iron on the wrong side; a hot iron is fatal to artificial silks, spoiling the colour and sometimes taking a whole piece out of the material.

Stockinette which has shrunk in the wash can be stretched back to normal shape with the iron; first damp it slightly, then iron it on the wrong side. The damping process is very important, because if the article is not damp enough the "wrinkling creases" simply won't come out!

Finely woven woolsies need only a warm iron when dry, on the wrong side, but hand-knitted cardigans and jumpers need a damp cloth when ironing, with a warm iron.

A better method, but one which takes more time, is first to pin the garment in place on your ironing board, then carefully press it, except at waist, wrists, and lower edge, with a warm iron; this treatment is excellent for a garment which has lost its shape in the wash.

Linen and cotton "fancy" work should be dampened well, and needs a hot iron to produce a "professional" glossy surface.

A time saving method with handkerchiefs and small linens is to place them between ironing sheets and a layer of paper, before doing large work, then when you have finished ironing, raise up the ironing sheet and you will find your small work neatly pressed.

To enhance your embroidery, always iron it on the wrong side; this will give it an attractive raised appearance. Mats and doyleys should always be ironed from the centre outwards, to preserve their shape.

J.G.

Fashion Notes

THERE are some interesting millinery shapes, notably the Robin Hood style in leaf-green shade. The tricorn with an open crown and a mass of small flowers grouped in front is making its debut to the public in Paris. From the crown, a soft veil falls gracefully over the wearer's shoulder.

First Months

You can be satisfied if your baby gains four to six ounces every week during the first six months of his life. After that he may only gain two or three ounces each week, especially if he is teething.

If you cannot understand Baby, take a little parcel with you containing exactly similar garments to those which the infant is wearing, and, having had this little packet weighed, deduct the weight from that of the clothed baby.

What to Expect

There must be nothing slack about these weekly weighings; they must be carried out carefully and exactly, otherwise they are useless as a guide to baby's progress.

How much should Baby gain? This is a question which puzzles many young mothers, and I find that most of them tend to expect too much where the weekly gains are concerned.

A rough estimate, but one that works

out quite well, is to expect that the child should double its birthweight by the time that it is six months old, and that it should exceed the birth-weight by its first birthday.

This would only apply to the average baby, of course. Tiny premature babies weighing perhaps five pounds or less often do, wonders in making up for their modest start in life.

Others, again, who started life as nine or ten pounds, may not develop so rapidly where weight is concerned during their first year.

I Like Spoiling My Daughter

JENNY is 10—and the apple of her father's eye. As I am her father, I am entitled to say that. What is more, I am not the least ashamed of it.

They know that my daughter is well cared for, and woe betide the man who does not treat her as well as I do myself! It is a man's pride, doubtless. "Doesn't do to spoil slightly, at any rate," and I don't see why my daughter should be any exception. You wait and see!"

They were saying that when she was 12, but I have not noticed this trait yet in her character. In fact, she is as considerate to me as she has always been, and as grateful. As I like spoiling her, and there seem to be no ill effects—well, why shouldn't I?

"Ah, but when she marries, she will be too pampered to make a good wife," say these friends again. "If a woman does not know what it is to lead a hard life, she will never be able to stand up to reverses."

Strange Conduct

Their argument, I suppose, is that I should give my daughter a few hard knocks, just to show her what they are like!

It seems a peculiar policy to me. Surely it is more pleasant to have a serene, happy youth? And surely this background will help, not hinder her, whatever her life in after years may bring?

What they really mean is that she will always expect as good a home as she has left, and for the life of

me I cannot see why she should not have it. The more you expect from life the more you are likely to get.

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Many fathers I know keep their girls deliberately short of money.

"Does 'em good, old man," they say smugly. "Makes 'em realize that if they do want things, they must earn them."

Free Entertainment

Unfortunate, matters don't work out like that, and I see these same daughters going out with young men, simply for a free entertainment at the theatre, cinema, or dance hall.

My daughter will never adopt these tactics. If she wants anything, she comes to her father, and her requests are always very reasonable.

If she is fond of someone, her first thought is to bring him home. There is none of this "secrecy" business about her. We are good pals, and she knows that my judgment will always be fair. She is proud of me, too, and I earn respect from her which many other fathers would be only too glad to have.

As long as she lives under my roof, I shall certainly continue to spoil her!

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Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ANSWER TO
PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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3-Elders (col.)
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LATE NEWS

DEBATE IN COMMONS

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principles of law in international relations.

Mr. Grenfell, Sir Archibald Sinclair and Mr. Anthony Eden, who spoke next urged upon the government the necessity of rapid action to safeguard the position of refugees in Czechoslovakia.

Mr. Eden elicited from the Premier the intimation that there was no intention of cancelling the rest of Mr. R. S. Hudson's tour of the northern capitals of Europe. He paid tribute to the courage, dignity and restraint of the Czech people in meeting their new trial.

CAN BE NO DOUBT

"There can be no doubt about the character of the action Germany had taken," Mr. Eden added.

"There is no shred of evidence of Czech ill-treatment of the German minority, with stories of which the German press has been full.

"There has been a campaign of intense provocation by the minority, and imaginary grievances have been paraded in an attempt to justify illegitimate action.

"The hopes which some have been able to repose last October in the results of the Munich Agreement have been falsified and no one now can doubt that there will be only a brief respite before further demands are made and another victim is arraigned which would, like its predecessors, be confronted with the alternative of resistance or surrender.

"What we see in the world to-day is a rapid deterioration of international authority.

UNIVERSAL TRAGEDY

"I am convinced if these methods are allowed to continue unchecked, we will all be involved in universal tragedy."

Mr. Eden concluded with a fervid appeal for the co-operation of parties

Slovakia "Joins" Anti-Comintern

Pressburg, Mar. 15. "Trans-Ocean" learns that Slovakia has decided to join the anti-Comintern Pact and that an announcement of this will be issued shortly.

Concerning the establishment of legations in foreign countries, it is stated that so far only Germany, Hungary and Poland have recognized the new State, and that therefore legations in Berlin, Budapest and Warsaw will be established forthwith.

It is stressed, however, that Slovak legations will also be established at Rome, Paris, London and the Vatican, as soon as these countries have recognized the new State.—Trans-Ocean.

Three Shots Fired!

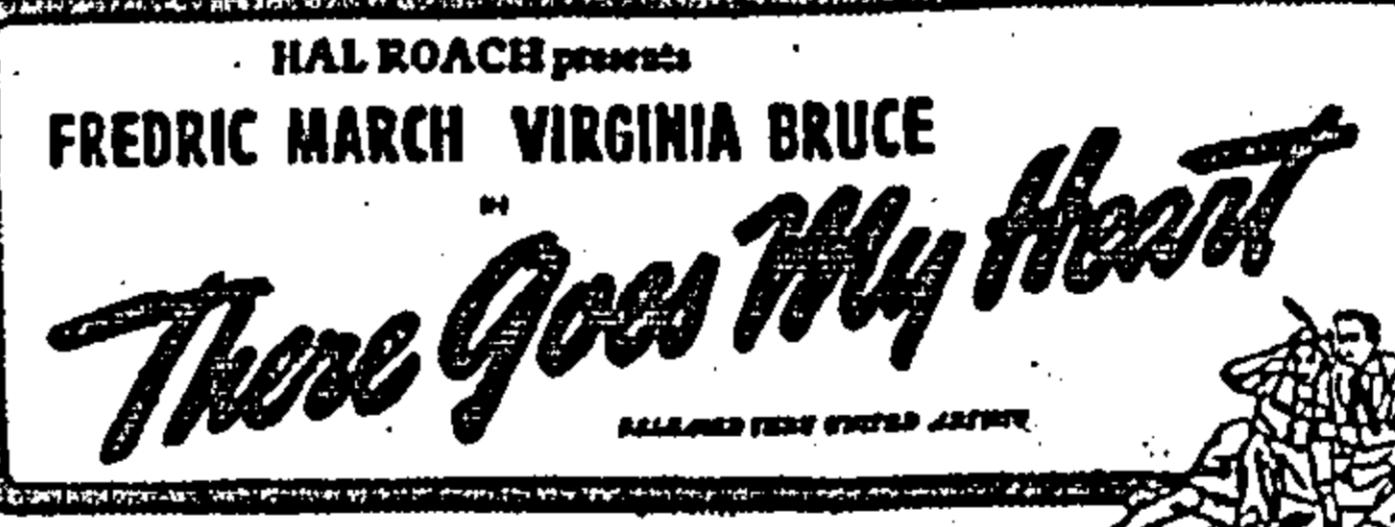
Prague, Mar. 15. With the exception of three shots, the occupation of all large towns in the Provinces of Moravia and Bohemia was carried out with amazing speed and without incident.

The speed is all the more remarkable because of the heavy snowfalls and the unfavourable weather in general. With one exception no clashes between the German army and the Czech population or the Czech army, which is in the meantime being disarmed, took place.

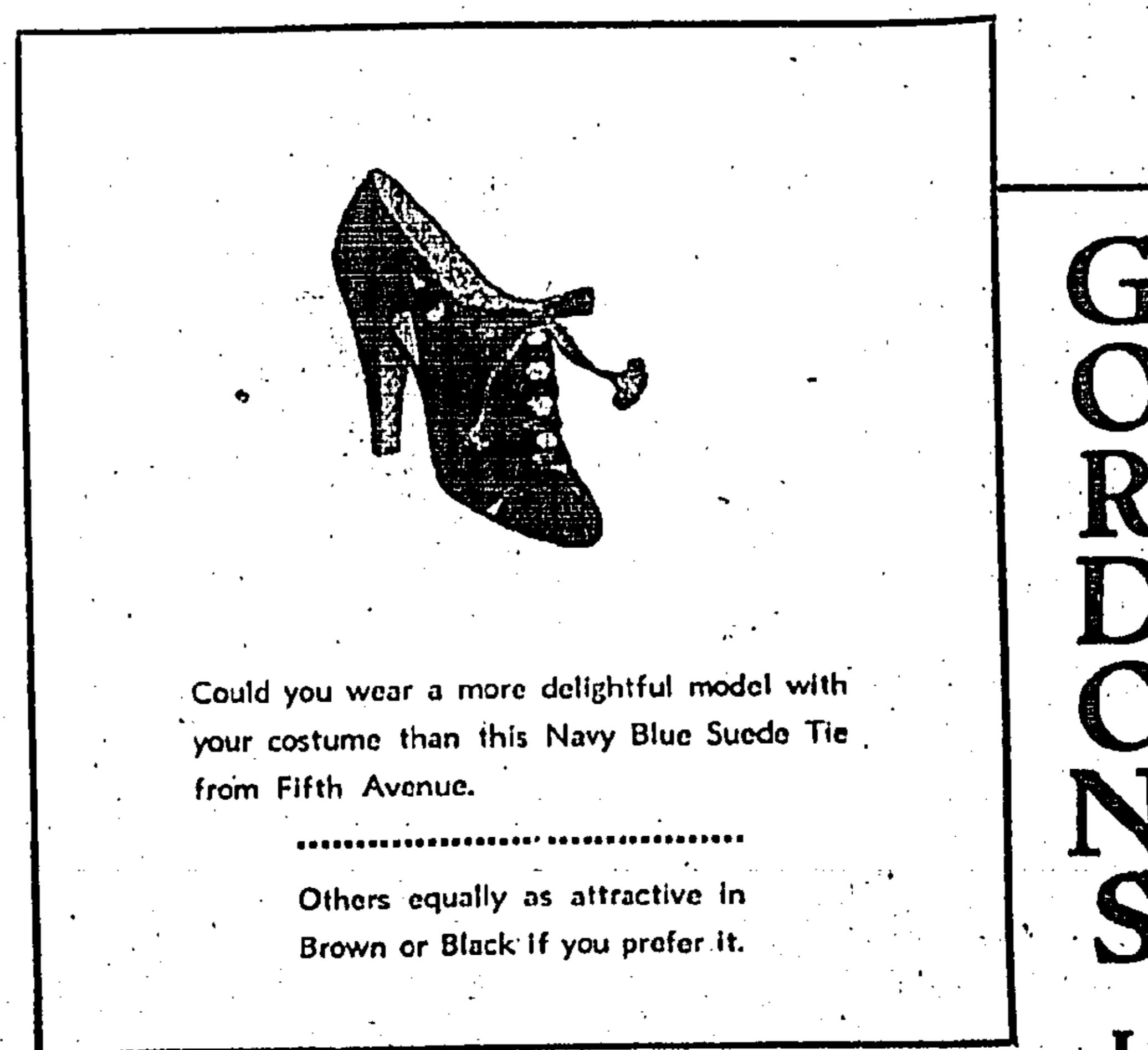
The Czech garrison at Mistek erected barricades and refused to surrender. Three shots from a German gun were fired, and the Czechs signified their surrender by hoisting a white flag. The Czechs lost one dead and three wounded.—Trans-Ocean.

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State Procession For M. Lebrun

London, Mar. 16. When the French President and Madame Lebrun arrive in London on Tuesday for a state visit, the King and Queen will welcome them at Victoria Station, and there will be a state procession from the station to Buckingham Palace.

The King and Queen and Monsieur and Madame Lebrun will drive in state landaus, accompanied by the Sovereign's escort of the Household Cavalry.—British Wireless.

No Convicts For Palestine Police

London, Mar. 15. Answering a House of Commons question on recruitment for the Palestine police service, which he said was proceeding normally, the Colonial Secretary emphatically repudiated suggestions which had been circulated in some quarters, that when prisoners convicted of violence were released from prisons in the United Kingdom, efforts were made to recruit them for service in Palestine.—British Wireless.

in convincing the world of the strength and unity of the nation, and of its determination to make an effort without parallel in its history.

"Such a Government of all parties will have to examine the new military and strategic position, and consult with all like-minded nations, wherever they be and whatever they be, on what their common policy should be—where they should make their stand and how they should give effect to their decision," Mr. Eden concluded.—British Wireless.

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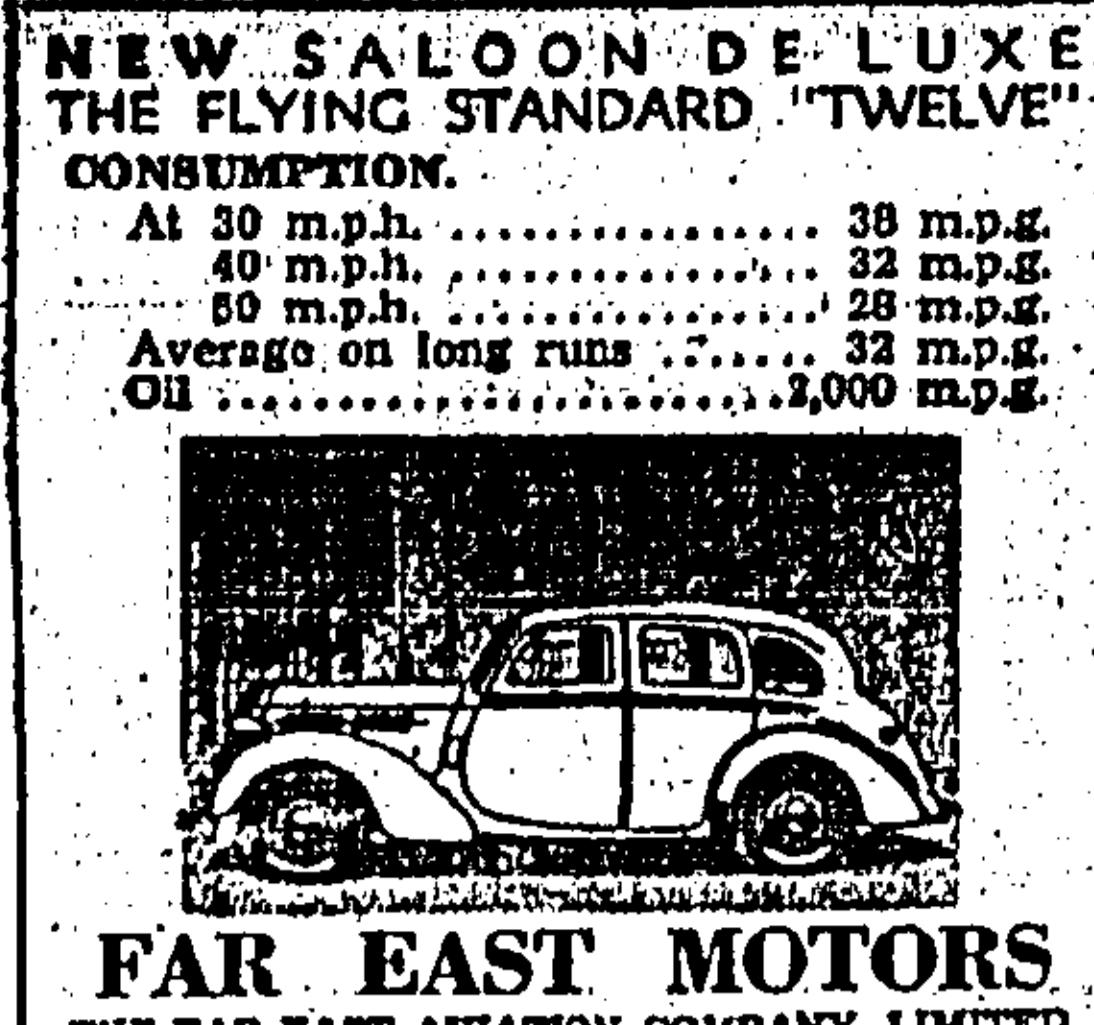
During the last 24 hours, twenty new notifications were made, includ-

ing eight from Victoria, nine from Kowloon, two from the New Territories, and one from Rural Hongkong.

Yesterday also produced fourteen new cases of measles, nine of meningitis, six of diphtheria, three of dysentery, and one each of enteric fever, chicken-pox, and puerperal fever.

So far this year there have been 476 cases of measles, 202 cases of dysentery, 184 cases of meningitis, 187 of chicken-pox, 110 of diphtheria, 100 of enteric fever, 108 of small pox, 12 of puerperal fever, five of cholera, and four of scarlet-fever.

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WHITEAWAY'S

FIGHTING IN RUTHENIA: HUNGARIAN ULTIMATUM DEMANDS SURRENDER



Ruled black line shows the area of Czechoslovakia seized after September. The "head" now becomes German territory, the "torso" maintains a German vassalage, while the tail goes to Hungary.

Japan's Fishery Claim

SOVIET PROCEEDS WITH DISPUTED AUCTION

MOSCOW, Mar. 16.

LAST MINUTE EFFORTS by Japan to postpone the auction of fishery lots at Vladivostok have failed.

No official announcement has been made by the Soviet authorities, but it is understood that, despite representations by the Japanese Ambassador, the auction of fishery lots was carried out at 2 p.m. yesterday.

Japanese interests did not participate in the auctions.—Domel.

TOKYO, Mar. 16. It was confirmed in Tokyo to-day that the Soviet fishery rights had been auctioned at Vladivostok. Japanese interests did not participate.

In the Diet to-day, the Foreign Minister, Mr. Arita, said that an interview between the Soviet Foreign Minister, M. Litvinov, and the Japanese Ambassador, Admiral Togo, has failed to postpone the Soviet decision to proceed with the auction. "The Soviet Union has not only refused to budge from its original stand, but has also declined to cooperate in Japan's endeavours for a peaceful settlement of the dispute," the Foreign Minister stated. "It is the intention of the Japanese Government to continue diplomatic negotiations and to put forth every possible effort in bringing the question to an amicable conclusion."

"It is hardly necessary to state, however, that there is a limit to the Japanese efforts."

"Such being the case, the Japanese Government may find themselves compelled to make a firm decision regarding the future attitude of the Soviet Union."

"In such an eventuality, it must be remembered that all responsibility must be borne by the Soviet Union."

NEW ANSCHLUSS?

Memel, Mar. 15. That the 150,000 inhabitants of the autonomous Memel district will proclaim their desire for an anschluss with the Reich within the next few days is the opinion prevailing here. This view is augmented by the declaration of the leader of the Memel Germans, Dr. Ernst Neumann, who claimed that the forcible separation of Memel from the Reich was a violation of the right of self-determination. He added that he was authorised by 87 per cent. of the inhabitants to take the necessary steps to change this state of affairs.—Trans-Ocean.

Subject to audit the Directors of the British Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd., will recommend the payment of a Dividend of 7s. per share for the year ended December 31, 1938.

Subject to audit the Directors of the China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., will recommend the payment of a Dividend of 51s. per share and a Bonus Dividend of 8s. per share for the year ended December 31, 1938.

The P. & O. steamer Jeypore is due here to-morrow at about 11 a.m.

JAPAN PLANS CONTROL OF SHIPPING ROUTES

TOKYO, Mar. 16. JAPAN'S PLANS for controlling shipping in China were outlined in the Tokyo Diet yesterday by a spokesman of the Ministry of Communications.

The spokesman revealed that Japan plans to put into effect a system which will ensure that shipping routes to China will be properly controlled "in order to prevent unnecessary competition" with the enterprises of the National Policy concern set up by the Government.

He added that the Government will not interfere, in principle, with transhipping routes excepting those bearing on the transportation of important materials.—Domel.

MOBILISATION ORDERED TO DEFEND NEW NATION

Rumours Of Sensational Bombing Threat By German Dictator

LONDON, Mar. 16.

A sinister touch is given in this morning's papers to President Hacha's fateful interview with Herr Hitler.

A number of Diplomatic Correspondents, including that of the "Times," refer to reports reaching London that Hitler threatened to bomb Prague from the air unless the German demands were immediately acceded to.—Reuter.

INDEPENDENCE PROCLAIMED

BRATISLAVA, Mar. 15.

THE RUTHENIAN PARLIAMENT HAS PROCLAIMED RUTHENIA TO BE AN INDEPENDENT SOVEREIGN STATE AND WILL RESIST HUNGARIAN ENCROACHMENT, STATES "UNITED PRESS."

"Havas" reports that the Hungarian Foreign Minister, Count Csaky, has presented an ultimatum to the Premier of Ruthenia demanding a reply to the Hungarian proposal for cession of Ruthenia to Hungary by 8 p.m. (4 a.m. H.K.T.).

RUTHENIANS OPPOSE HUNGARIANS

Serious fighting is now in progress at various points along the Ruthenian-Hungarian frontier, says "Trans-Ocean."

The National Defence Organisation of Ruthenia, known as "Sic," has succeeded in driving Hungarian troops out of 18 towns and villages which had been occupied in the morning.

It is also reported that the railway between Hust and the Hungarian frontier has been destroyed to prevent the Hungarians from using it.

Fighting during the afternoon was approaching nearer the frontier as the Hungarians were forced to retreat.

EFFECT ON BRITAIN

Future Policy Based On Further Acts

LONDON, Mar. 15. THE EVENTS in Czechoslovakia were the main preoccupation of the Cabinet at its meeting this morning. It is understood that the Ministers took a very grave view of the situation, and consequently will press on the re-armament programme to the utmost.

While British policy will continue to be directed towards a peaceful settlement of disputes, there seems little doubt that Ministers will henceforth base policy on the risks of further acts by Germany outside the boundaries of her own nationalities.

Commenting on the postponement of the visit of Mr. R. S. Hudson and Mr. Oliver Stanley, German political circles, while expressing polite regret, are fully conscious of the necessity of this measure.

It is reported that "satisfactory progress" has been made between the Federation of British Industries delegation and the Reichsgruppe Industrie when official trade talks opened here to-day.—Reuter.

Berlin, Mar. 15. The partition of Czechoslovakia has come quicker than expected, writes a diplomatic observer, but the efficiency and rapidity with which Hitler seized Bohemia and Moravia came as no surprise.

The German formula has been identical in each of her three foreign successes in the last twelve months.

First the ground is thoroughly prepared, and then, when all arrangements are complete, a mine is sprung and German troops have merely to take possession of territory gained by diplomacy.

This time, however, the soldiers were not received with flowers and cheers, but with cat-calls and hisses.

BRATISLAVA, Mar. 15. M. KARL SIDOR, the former Prague Government's nominee as

militia following an explosion of a powder magazine which the Czechs are said to have ignited. It is reported that 50 persons were killed.—Trans-Ocean.

WARSZAWA, Mar. 15. The Polish Government has decided to establish a Polish Legation in Bratislava, thereby practically recognising the independence of Slovakia.

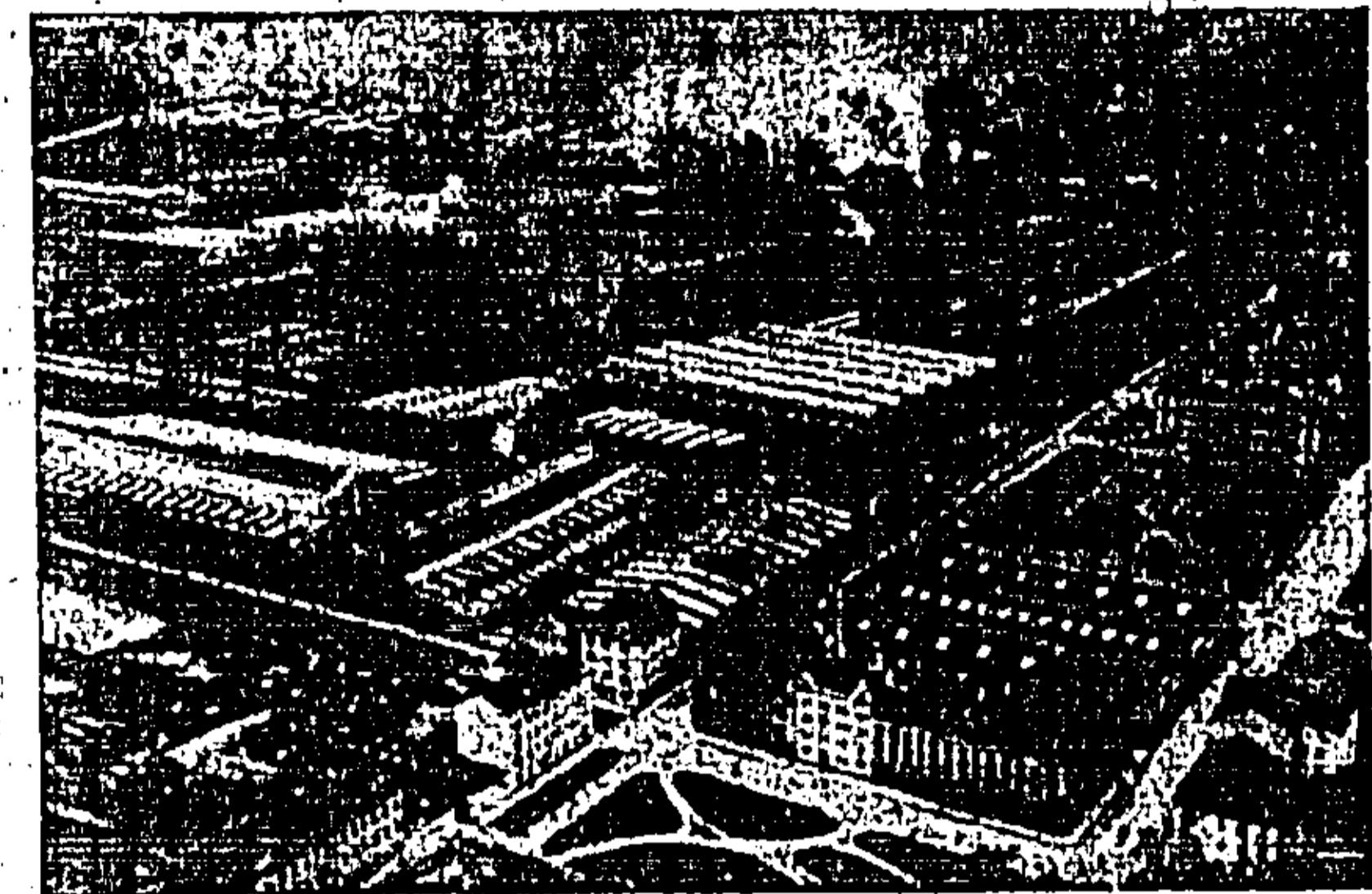
WARSAW, Mar. 15. The Polish Consul-General in Uzhorod has been appointed Charge d'affaires in Bratislava.—Trans-Ocean.

ULTIMATUM NOT MET

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A VIEW OF THE vast Czech armaments works near Plzen. These will now become German property.

LATEST

Germany Tells Its Ally

TOKYO, Mar. 16. The German Ambassador to Japan, Major-General Eugen Ott, called on the Foreign Minister, Mr. Arira, at the Foreign Office at 11.35 a.m. today and explained the Fuehrer's intention of placing the Czech people under Germany's protection.

Ambassador Ott, after explaining the steps taken by his Government against Czechoslovakia, asked the Japanese Government's understanding regarding the new situation in Central Europe.

Pending receipt of detailed official information from Japanese diplomatic representatives in Europe, the Japanese Government has not decided upon its attitude vis-a-vis the Czech situation.

Political circles indicate that upon receipt of official reports, the Japanese Government will manifest its friendly attitude towards Germany in connection with the new development.—Domel.

NEWSPAPER REACTIONS

Russia Sees Threat To Poland, Rumania

MOSCOW, Mar. 15.

"THE FULL SUBJUGATION of Czechoslovakia intensifies the German threat to Poland and Rumania, and renders Central Europe subject to new conflicts and clashes," writes Pravda.

The newspaper adds that German Fascism again demonstrates its disinclination to observe promises which is described as a direct result of the appeasement policy of Anglo-French diplomacy.—Reuter Special.

TOKYO

The "Japan Advertiser," American-owned English language newspaper in Tokyo, says that what is tragic about the continued dismemberment of Czechoslovakia is that no effort or even pretence is any longer made to protect the integrity of Czechoslovakia.

The paper declares that Czechoslovakia, which has been gradually dismembered since the Munich Conference, will lose its integrity once more.

Meanwhile, Premier Tiso, whose appeal to Hitler on behalf of Slovakia independence succeeded, has temporarily taken charge of the Ministry of the Interior.—Trans-Ocean.

NO ARMY

The new Slovak Republic will be completely shorn of all powers.

It will have no army and will be utterly dependent upon Germany for maintenance of territorial integrity.

German troops have already invaded the new Republic, for the purpose of maintaining order.

The population of the new Republic is 3,234,000, as compared with former population of 14,000,000 of the Czechoslovak Republic.

Some quarters believe that Herr Hitler will maintain the fiction of Slovakian independence in order to provide a buffer between the new German provinces of Czeckia and the Russians.

"There seems none prepared to prevent Hitler from having it," the paper declares.—Domel.

The Japanese press interprets Germany's new move as another step in her drive East.

The newspaper "Asahi Shimbun" declares that "Stalin seriously mis-calculated when, in his speech to the Communist Congress, he declared that Germany had changed her Eastern drive to a Western one. The menace will be most keenly felt by Poland and Rumania."—Reuter.

BERLIN

The first official German comment on the events in Central Europe appears in the "Diplomatico Korrespondenz," which states that "history confers on the Czech people no claim whatever to independence."

The "Diplomatico" declares that "Czech political leadership itself has now reached the conclusion that the experiment of sole Czech responsibility for Bohemia and Moravia has been a failure."

HONGKONG

Local Chinese newspapers give full reports on the dismemberment of Czechoslovakia.

The "Sing Tao Jih Pao" condemns German and Hungarian aggression and sharply asks "should an independent state be thus partitioned without any outside assistance?"

The short-sightedness and selfishness of some of the European democratic Powers now allow the partition of Czechoslovakia despite international treaty obligations, coupled with the submissive attitude of some of the political authorities of Czechoslovakia, was the paper sees, responsible for the tragedy.

"Resistance against aggressor" declares the "Ta Kung-Pao" "is the only way out for victim of aggression. Our war against Japanese invasion is a good example of it."

The "Ta Kung-Pao" is puzzled at the report that the Hungarian occupation of Ruthenia had become an accomplished fact. The paper pointed out that Ruthenia was the gateway to Ukraine, which Hitler must need for himself.

Stating that the declaration of independence by Slovakia and Ukraine heralds possible re-distribution of the borders of Balkan States, these papers understand that with

CHINA LOAN BILL IS INTRODUCED INTO PARLIAMENT FOR DEBATE

LONDON, Mar. 15.
SIR JOHN SIMON, Chancellor of the Exchequer, to-day introduced into the House of Commons, the China Currency Stabilisation Bill, providing for the establishment of a £10,000,000 fund to check undue fluctuations in the sterling value of the Chinese dollar.

He said that the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation would subscribe £3,000,000, the Chartered Bank of India and Australia would provide £2,000,000, and the Bank of China and the Bank of Communications would jointly subscribe £5,000,000.

The Management of the fund was vested in a committee of five, two of which were appointed jointly by the Chinese banks, one each by the Hongkong and Shanghai and the Chartered banks, and one would be a British expert appointed by the Chinese Government in agreement with the approval of the British banks.

DUTY OF COMMITTEE

The duty of the committee would be to determine from day to day the policy best suited to achieve the purpose of checking undue fluctuations in the sterling value of the Chinese dollar.

The Hongkong and Shanghai and the Chartered banks would receive interest every six months at 2½ per cent. The Chinese banks would undertake to pay interest insofar as it was not met by earnings from any investments held for the sterling account fund in London, and the Treasury will guarantee payments of interest.—British Wireless.

Workers Score Under Democracy

NEW YORK, Mar. 16.
Workers in democratic countries earn more in real wages than those in totalitarian States, according to a survey made by the National Association of Manufacturers. In terms of bread an hour's wages will buy:

	lb.	lb.
In U.S.A.	7.5	Germany ... 2.5
Britain ...	5.2	Russia ... 1.9
Italy ...	2.8	
		In terms of beef:
U.S.A.	2.0	Belgium ... 0.7
Britain ...	1.4	Italy ... 0.5
Germany ...	0.9	Russia ... 0.3
France ...	0.8	

Trade Parleys Cancelled

Inopportune Time, Says Halifax

London, Mar. 15.—Viscount Halifax announced in the House of Lords to-day that, having regard to the effect on the general conditions in Europe, which recent events were bound to exert, the

Government felt that the present moment was inappropriate for the proposed visit of the President of the Board of Trade, and the Secretary for Overseas Trade to Berlin.

The visit accordingly had been postponed, and Germany had been so informed.—Reuter.

"Biggest Fire" In Manila

Million Pesos Loss In Conflagration

MANILA, Mar. 16.—THE BIGGEST FIRE so far this year has gutted the Philippine Education Company's bodegas and also the McCullough Printing Company in the Quiapo district.

The fire broke out at 11.40. last night.

Damage is reported at between 1,000,000 and 1,500,000 pesos in buildings, machinery, paper, books, magazines and office equipment.

There were no casualties, and the fire was "brought under control about 2 o'clock this morning."

Investigations disclosed that the fire started on the second floor of McCullough Company's offices in a wing of the building where two men were working overtime.

The cause has not yet been determined, but there is a theory that it may have been due to electrical wiring trouble.—United Press.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

March 16, 1889.
King Milan has abdicated in favour of his son, Monsieur Ristach and two Generals have been appointed Regents.

25 YEARS AGO

March 16, 1914.
Some interest is attached to the third Court of the session at Buckingham Palace owing to the fact that H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, in the uniform of a Naval Lieutenant, has made his first appearance at Courts. He starts on Monday for a three weeks' visit to the King and Queen of Norway.

Turkey has accepted the French proposals for the establishment of an official postal service from Aleppo to Baghdad.

Mr. Metzoni has successfully telephoned by wireless methods between Italian warships at Sicily. (This anticipated the Thermionic valve system of radiotelephony by three years.—Ed.)

10 YEARS AGO

March 16, 1929.
The annual prize-giving of St. Joseph's College and its branches took place in the Great Hall of the College in the presence of a large number of parents and friends of the College.

Following is the list of the prizes won in the Matriculation class:

H. M. Murphy Honour; dist. in English, French Trigonometry and Mechanics; 1st Prize for English Grammar and Composition (Senior Bellios Scholarship); French Consul's Prize for French, 1st Prize for Mechanics.

F. A. Gill—Honours; dist. in History, Higher Mathematics, Trigonometry, 1st Prize for Higher Mathematics, 1st Prize for English Literature, 2nd Prize for Arithmetic, 2nd Prize for English History.

Cheung Shiu Ling—Honours; dist. in History and Trigonometry, 1st Prize for English History.

H. F. Goncalves—Honours; dist. in English and Trigonometry, 1st Prize for English Literature (Brothers Scholarships), 1st Prize for Portuguese, 1st Prize for Trigonometry—Honours; dist. in Trigonometry and Mechanics.

A. Thomas—Honours; dist. in French and Trigonometry, 1st Prize for French, the Montgolfier French Prize; 2nd Prize for Physics and Chemistry; H. W. Wing—Honours; dist. in Trigonometry and Mechanics, 2nd Prize for French, 2nd Prize for Algebra and Geometry.

Woo Pak Chuen—Dist. in Trigonometry, Li Shek Pang gold medal for Chinese, 1st Prize for Algebra and Geometry, 1st Prize for Physics and Chemistry (Woo Hay Tong Scholarship), 2nd Prize for Trigonometry.

Ho Pao Yung—Dist. in Trigonometry.

A. F. Noronha—1st Prize for Arithmetic.

G. M. Victor—Dist. in Trigonometry.

J. C. Quincy and C. F. Rosario.

One of the most interesting matches played in the Club tournament yesterday was that between the Fincheres and Leonard and Bodker.

Open doubles.—L. D. Humphreys and R. K. Valentine 6-2, 0-1, 6-1; E. F. and C. J. Fincher beat J. W. Leonard and D. Bodker 6-2, 6-0, 6-3.

Handicap singles—"A."—O. E. C. Martin beat O. C. Womack 6-3, 7-6.

Bowker beat P. E. Barker 6-1, 6-3.

5 YEARS AGO

March 16, 1934.
The third reading of the North Atlantic Shipping Bill, which makes necessary the financial provision for assisting the completion of the new Cunard liner and for the merger of the two British North Atlantic Shipping Companies being debated in the Commons to-night.

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PREMIER FLAYS GERMANY FOR VIOLATION OF SPIRIT OF MUNICH IN COMMONS DEBATE

"Events Must Disturb World Situation"

LONDON, Mar. 16.
A CROWDED AND EXPECTANT HOUSE OF COMMONS LISTENED THIS AFTERNOON TO THE PRIME MINISTER'S STATEMENT ON THE EVENTS IN CENTRAL EUROPE.

THE PREMIER WAS GREETED WITH MINISTERIAL CHEERS AND OPPOSITION CRIES.

After a recital of the facts, as known to him, Mr. Chamberlain said that the moral guarantee to Czechoslovakia given last October had lapsed through the disintegration of that country.

The Bank of England had been instructed to suspend any further payments under the credit of £10,000,000 advanced to the Czechoslovak Government and the visit of the President of the Board of Trade and the secretary of the Department of Overseas Trade to Berlin would not take place.

After making these announcements Mr. Chamberlain turned back to consider the policy of the Munich settlement.

"Having regard to the alternatives open to us at that time," he said, "I have no doubt that the course the British Government took was the right course and I believe it received the approval of the vast majority of world opinion."

NOT PROVED FINAL

That settlement, however, has not proved final. Czechoslovakia, to which we had hoped to give a more stable future, has disintegrated.

"That might or might not have been inevitable."

"I have so often heard charges of breach of faith bandied about, which did not seem to me to be founded on sufficient premises, that I do not wish to associate myself to-day with any charges of that character."

I AM BOUND TO SAY HOWEVER, THAT

"I cannot believe anything of the kind that has now taken place was contemplated by any of the signatories of the Munich Agreement."

"The Munich Agreement constituted a settlement, accepted by the four Powers and Czechoslovakia, of the Czechoslovakian question."

"It provided for a fixation of the future frontiers of Czechoslovakia and laid down the limits of German occupation, which the German Government accepted."

NO WARNING

"They have now, without, so far as I know, any communication with the other three signatories of the Munich Agreement, sent their troops beyond the frontier they laid down."

"Even though it may now be claimed what has taken place has occurred with the acquiescence of the Czechoslovak Government, I cannot regard the manner and methods by which these changes have been brought about as in accord with the spirit of the Munich Agreement."

"There is a further point I cannot omit to mention."

"Hitherto, the German Government, in extending the area of their military control, have defended their action by the contention that they were only incorporating in the Reich the neighbouring masses of people of the German race."

CHANGE OF POLICY

"Now, for the first time, they are effecting the military occupation of a territory inhabited by people with whom they have no racial connection."

"The events I have described to the House cannot fail to cause disturbance to the international situation and administer shock to the confidence which was beginning to revive."

"They are bound to administer a shock to confidence."

"This is the more regrettable because confidence was beginning to revive, and there was a possibility of concrete measures which could achieve benefit."

"In this connection I would recall my appeal at Birmingham at the end of January for a contribution by others to the search for peace, which is the aim of my Government."

We are resolved that the method of consultation shall be the method adopted to deal with any other questions that may concern our two countries, and we are determined to continue our efforts to remove possible sources of difference and thus to contribute to assure the peace of Europe.

*S. E. Chamberlain
Prime Minister*

THE FAMOUS AGREEMENT

"World Is Heading Straight For Anarchy"—Mr. Anthony Eden

and justice, and violence has

triumphed.

"Mr. Chamberlain, in his simplicity of mind, believed that the undertakings at Munich were given in good faith. The Premier had said so."

"Czechoslovakia has now been occupied in the same manner as it would have been if there had been no Munich."

"We were now entering upon a period of immediate and terrible danger."

"To-morrow, it might be Poland who will be at an immense military disadvantage. Hungary can be overwhelmed in hours. Rumania is on the way."

"There is no security left in Europe. The smaller nations are in a state of apprehension and fear, and even large nations are not free from it. I ask the Government to act, before it is too late, in an assembly for co-operative

effort of the peace loving forces of Europe and the world."

LIBERAL ATTACK

Sir Archibald Sinclair, for the Liberals, thought that the methods of crypto-aggression employed by Herr Hitler's Government in Czechoslovakia would almost certainly be used again elsewhere and he, too, appealed to the Premier to gather like-minded nations under British leadership in defence of the principles of law in international relations.

"Mr. Grenfell, Sir Archibald Sinclair and Mr. Anthony Eden, who spoke next urged upon the government the necessity of rapid action to safeguard the position of refugees in Czechoslovakia."

Mr. Eden was cheered when he rose to speak. He elicited from the Premier the information that there was no intention of cancelling the rest of Mr. R. S. Hudson's tour of the

northern capitals of Europe. He paid tribute to the courage, dignity and restraint of the Czech people in meeting their new trial.

CAN BE NO DOUBT

"There can be no doubt about the character of the nation Germany had taken," Mr. Eden added.

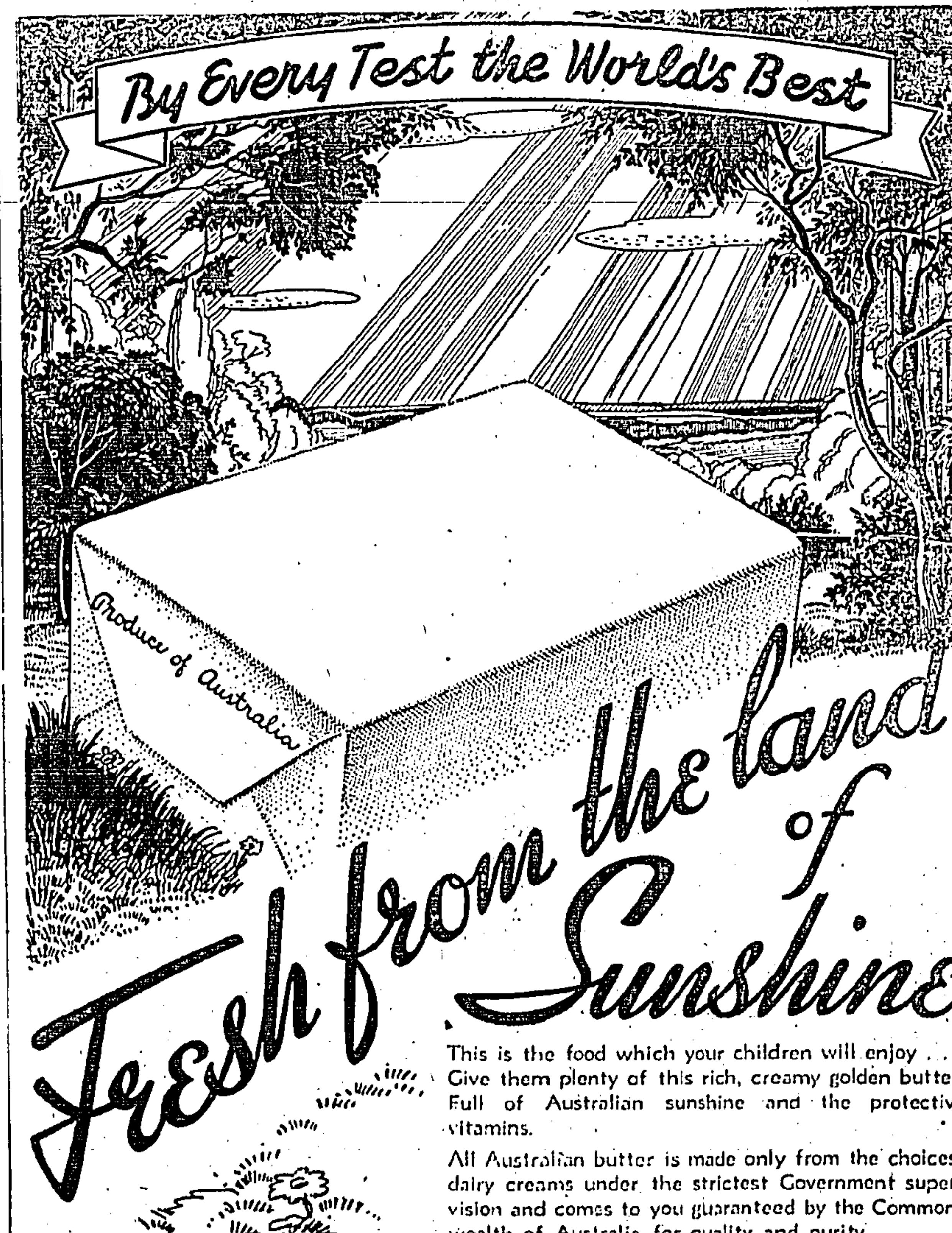
"There is no shred of evidence of Czech ill-treatment of the German minority, with stories of which the German press has been full."

No representations had been made to the Czech Government or to the British and French governments of such, as should have been made under the Munich agreement if the matter was serious and urgent.

"There has been a campaign of intense provocation by the minority, and imaginary grievances have been paraded in an attempt to justify ill-defined action."

"It is difficult to escape the conclusion that these grievances are

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H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

BANKS
H.K. Banks \$..... 1,410 n.
H.K. Banks Lon. £..... 88½ n.
Chartered £..... 91½ n.
Mercantile, A. & B. £..... 275 n.
Mercantile, C. £..... 13 n.
East Asia \$..... 80 b.

INSURANCES
Canton \$..... 225 b.
Union \$..... 405 s.
China Underwriter call pd. \$1½ n.
H.K. Fire \$..... 100 b.

SHIPPING
Douglas \$..... 68 b.
Steamboats \$..... 15 n.
Indo-Chinas P. \$..... 60 n.
Indo-Chinas D. \$..... 24 n.
Shell Bearers s/..... 85½ n.
Waterboats \$..... 0 n.

DOCKS ETC.
Wharves \$..... 118½ b.
Docks (old) \$..... 19½ n.
Docks (news) \$..... 18½ b.
Providents (old) \$..... 645 s.
Providents (new) \$..... 633 n.
New Eng. Sh. \$..... 600 n.
Sh. Docks Sh. \$..... 105 n.

MINING
Kallan s/..... 10½ n.
Raubs \$..... 035 n.
Venz: Goldfield \$..... 3 n.
Hongkong Mines cta. 5 n.
Animoto Ps. 43½ s.
Atok Ps. 39½ s.
Bagnall Ps. 28 n.
Benguet Const. Ps. 1350 n.
Coco Grove Ps. 47 n.
Cun Mines Ps. 22½ n.
Demonstrations Ps. 14 n.
I.X.L. Ps. 60 n.
Gumau Ps. 10 n.
San Muriel Ps. 215 n.
Suyoc Const. Ps. 20½ s.
Paracales Ps. 77 s.

LANDS
Hotels \$..... ex. div. 8½ n.
Lands \$..... 30½ n.
Lands 4% deb. \$..... 107½ n.
Shal Lands Sh. \$..... 030 n.
Humphreys S. (x.d.) \$..... 855 n.
H.K. Rentales S. (x.d.) \$..... 480 n.
Chinese Estates \$..... 100 n.

UTILITIES
Trans. S. 16.00 n.
Peak Trans. (old) \$..... 8 n.
Peak Trans. (new) S. 4 n.
Star Ferries S. 67½ n.
Y. Ferries (old) \$..... 24½ n.
Y. Ferries (new) S. 23½ n.
China Lights (old) S. 8.00 n.
China Light (new) S. 0 n.
H.K. Electrics \$..... 56½ b.
Macao Electrics S. 18½ s.
Somadakan Lights S. 11.30 s.
Telephones (old) S. 22½ n.
Telephones (new) S. 7½ n.
Tractions s/..... 23½ n.
Tractions (Pref.) s/..... 23½ n.

INDUSTRIAL
Cold: Macq. (ord.), Sh. \$..... 14 n.
Cold: Macq. (Pre.), Sh. \$..... 13 n.
Canton Ices \$..... 1 b.
Cements S. 14½ n.
H.K. Ropes \$..... 4.10 b.

STORES, &c.
Dairy Farms \$..... 26 n.
Watsons \$..... 0.20 n.
Sinceres \$..... 1.00 n.
Lane Crawfords \$..... 8 n.
Wing On (H.K.) \$..... 46 n.
Powell, Ltd. cts. 00 n.

COTTON MILLS
Ewo Sh. 18.70 n.
Shal Cotton Sh. 104 n.
Zoung Sings, Sh. S. 40 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh. S. 40 n.

MISC.
H.K. Entertainments \$..... 7 b.
Constructions, \$..... 13½ n.
Vibro Piling \$..... 7.30 s.

Ch. Govt. 5% 1925
G.S. Bonds \$..... 69½ n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 4% prm. \$.....
H.K. Govt. Loan 3½% par. b.
Marsmanns (Lond.) s/..... 18½ n.
Marsmanns (H.K.) s/..... 5½ n.

MANILA SHARES
Closing quotations through Reuters:
In Peso
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Closing Mar. 15. Closing Mar. 16.

Anamok 43½ s. 43½ s.
Atok 39½ s. 43½ s.
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Mine Operations 14 s. 14½ s.
North Camarines 07 s. 10 s.
Paralee Camarines 10 s. 10½ s.
San M. 23 s. 23½ s.
Surigao Cons. 20 s. 20½ s.
Suyoc Cons. 20 s. 20½ s.
Syndicate Invest. 04 s. 04 s.
U.S. Paper Co. 77 s. 77 s.

The following is Swain, Culbertson & Frit's report on this morning's market:

The Manila market was steady. Several stocks showed losses of ½ centavo, while North Camarines was down one centavo. Several stocks showed gains of ½ centavo, while Surigao Consolidated was up 1½ cents. Yesterday's volume in Pesos was 945,000.

LOCAL THEOSOPHISTS

"The Essence of Judaism" will be the title of the free public lecture to be given by Mr. D. O. Silver to-night at 8 p.m. at the lodge-room of the local Theosophical Society, 1B Chater Road. All interested are welcome.

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Printed Forms of Tender and further particulars can be obtained at the Royal Naval Hospital.

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G. V. HOBBES,
Surgeon Captain,
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Royal Naval Hospital.
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DEATH

SOUZA—At the St. Paul's Hospital, early this morning, Genoveva Isabel de Xnider e Souza, at the age of 53 years, the Funeral will pass the Monument at 8.30 p.m. to-day.

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Map Makers

THE FULL RESULTS of what happened at Munich are now manifest. They confirm fears expressed at the time. Czechoslovakia is now what Hitler set out to make it—part of the Greater Reich.

The unfortunate Republic, born of the Great War, may be likened to a human corpse. The arms were amputated in September, the head is now severed and becomes a German trophy; Hungary takes the Ruthenian legs. There remains but the torso of Slovakia, which becomes, in all but name, a vassal State of Germany.

In accepting the "advice" of Great Britain and France in September last, Czechoslovakia sealed her fate. True, there would have been war—a war on a terrifying scale into which the whole of Europe would have been dragged—but Czechoslovakia, in the light of subsequent events, could hardly have been the loser.

Like Belgium in 1914 she would have paid dearly in the blood of her patriots, but she would have gained honour and freedom for her children. Out of Belgium's sorrow and torment of the four years of Great War emerged a country free and unshackled, honoured by the democracies of the world for the part she played in defending Right against Might and, indeed, defended by those democracies for her steadfast resolution to uphold her integrity.

The events of the past six months have been planned and consummated by Germany with almost diabolical ease. There is no doubt but that war would have come to Europe had Herr Hitler attempted to fulfil his territorial ambitions in Czechoslovakia in one fell swoop. There was firstly the Godesburg Agreement, announced as the extreme limit of concession to which Mr. Chamberlain and M. Daladier were prepared to accede. Czechoslovakia was told to accept these demands or forfeit the support and friendship of her guarantors. But Godesburg was followed by Munich, which exceeded Hitler's original demands. Mr. Chamberlain and M. Daladier acquiesced in the extra grab. Yesterday's events were a natural sequel predicted to the very date by newspaper "correspondents" who, only two days ago, were chided by Lord Halifax for spreading "sensational and inaccurate forecasts of events about to take place in Europe."

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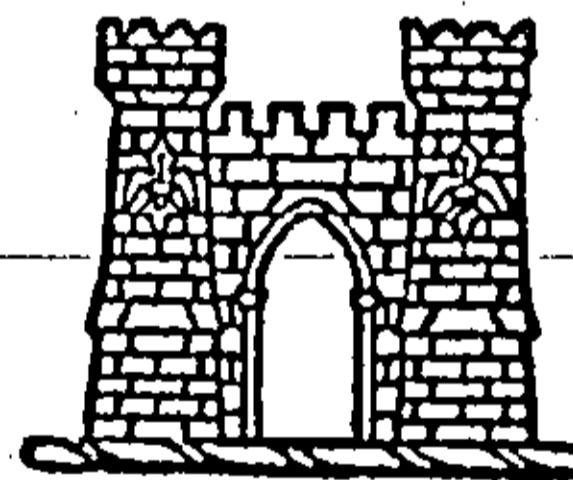
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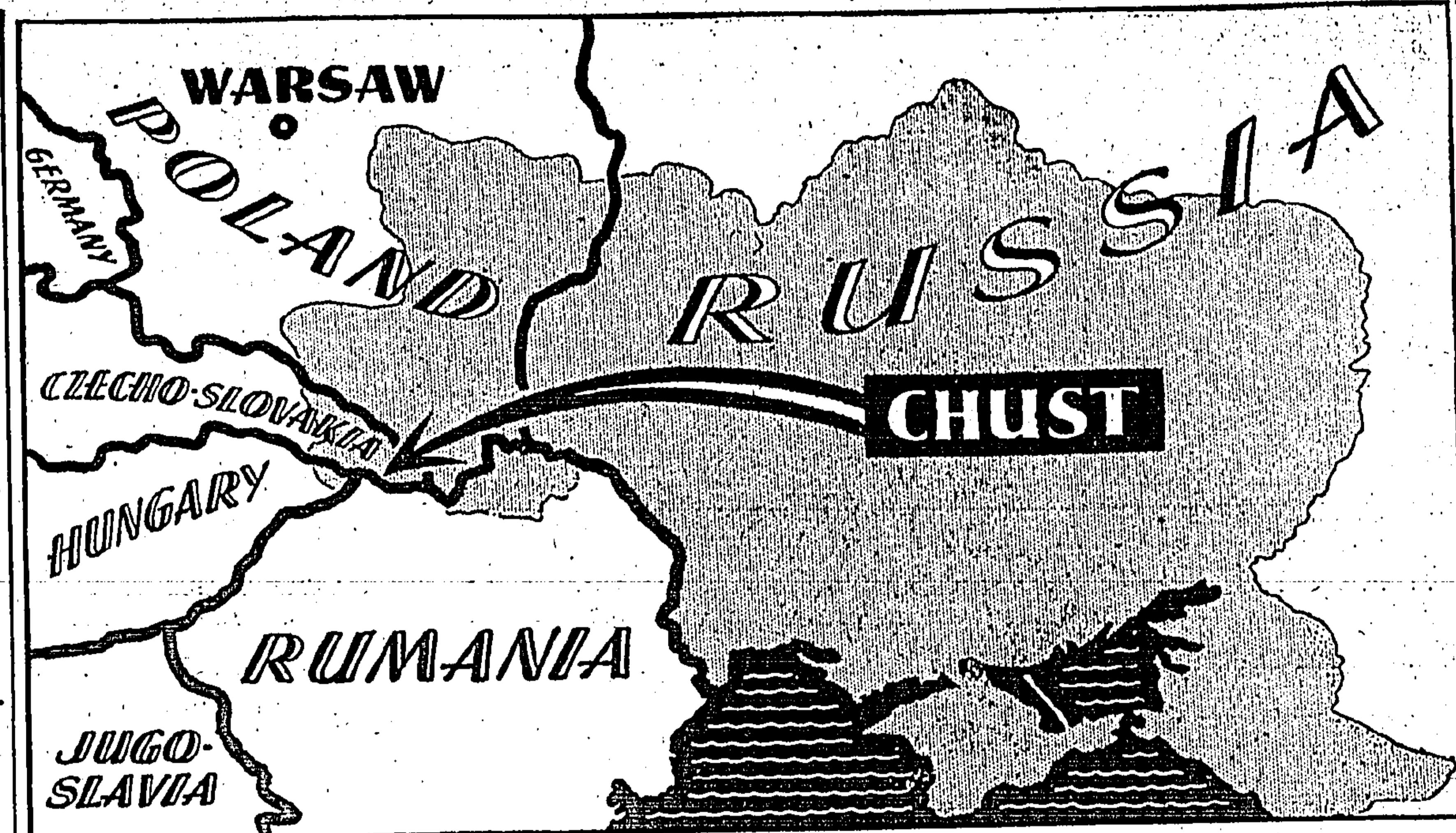
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A complete military and political organisation was built up. Officers and men were given uniforms. These resemble the German storm-troop uniforms, but are grey-blue in colour instead of brown. The Ukrainian stormtroops are called Sicz Guards (Sharp-shooters).

For years Zieleski has carried on his work, building up this organisation. At first he worked in secret, because Germany and Poland were supposed to be on good terms with one another.

Now he has come out in the open with his men. They were put to official use for the first time after the Munich agreement. In Carpatho-Ukraine Sicz Guards do police duty to-day.

Now you see why Hitler insisted on an autonomous Ukrainian State. Chust was to be the spring-board of future Ukrainian developments. Zieleski moved his Central Committee to Chust. Supported and financed from Germany, he was the man chosen to lead the pan-Ukrainian movement.

He takes his orders from Hitler. And Hitler, following his old practice, appointed a Commissioner for the Ukraine with headquarters in Berlin. He is Nikola Suschko, a former officer in Petljura's army.

What is the point of the Berlin Bureau? and of the Central Committee in Chust? What does Hitler want them to do?

Terrorist bands were organised and armed. These bands are raiding Polish and Russian territory.

Already several battles have taken place. The flags carried by the bands are blue and gold, like the ones that fly above Zieleski's office.

Emissaries of Zieleski stir up trouble in the Ukrainian parts of Poland, goading on the people to demand autonomy for the Polish Ukraine.

The Polish authorities are fighting the terrorists, but the story of Austria and the Sudetenland, and later Czechoslovakia, shows how difficult it is to stamp out such movements. The Sicz Guards stick to the tactics used by the illegal stormtroops in all the countries where Hitler has planted them.

But Hungary remembered that what is now Carpatho-Ukraine was once part of Hungary. That is why Hungarian troops are now marching across the country. And Hungarians know how to conduct underground fighting just as well as the Germans.

War Of The Brigands

An office was created, this time in Danzig, called the "Central Committee for the Establishment of an Independent Ukraine." A former Ukrainian Tsarist general, Zieleski, is in charge of this office.

From the Danzig headquarters the Central Committee began to stir up Ukrainian Nationalist feeling in Poland. Ukrainian stormtroops were formed on the lines of the old illegal Polish S.A.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichy



Anti-Russia Moves

The answer to these questions takes us back to the days when the Tsar ruled in Russia and when deep underground men were fighting for the independence of the Ukraine.

The Tsar would have none of such men. He sent the leaders of prison-camps in Siberia when he caught them. Those who escaped fled abroad, and settled in fringes of Ukrainian territory which belonged to the Austrian Empire.

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"The first dress I try on you like and want me to buy—Weil You certainly don't know much about shopping, Wilbur!"

(Continued on Page 11.)

BRITAIN'S DEFENCE

Air Force Strength Deters Aggression

LONDON, Mar. 15. NATIONAL DEFENCE was the subject of an important speech by Lord Chatfield in the House of Lords to-day in his reply to the debate on this question.

He emphasized Mr. Chamberlain's recent declaration that our policy of defence did not mean that we did not intend to have both the will and the means to strike back if we were attacked.

There was a time when the problem of dealing with the bomber was regarded with something like despair; such a feeling was no longer justified, if ever it was.

Developments in recent years had undoubtedly reduced the old supremacy of the offensive over the defensive in air warfare, and he assured the House that none of the components of air defence was being neglected.

The strength of the fighting force was being extremely augmented, counter-offensive force had also been the subject of equally careful scrutiny, and measures to strengthen it were also actively in hand.

BEST IN WORLD

The latest types of bombers now being delivered to the airforce were believed to be the best in the world. The Government is determined to build up counter-offensive forces of such strength as they may, in conjunction with the fighter aircraft and batteries, deter an aggressor from attacking us at all, or if it should unfortunately fail to do this, will give us all the necessary means for attack as well as defence."

JACK TARS OF AIR

Lord Chatfield added: "I am convinced that just as we have been able over many centuries to rely confidently on our sailors to seek out and destroy the fleet of the enemy, so we shall be able in the future, with our airmen supported on the land by our soldiers, to defend similarly these islands from the air fleets of an aggressor."—Reuter.

ANGLO-FRENCH CO-OPERATION

London, Mar. 15. Replying to questions, Mr. Geoffrey Shakespeare, Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty, declared in the House of Commons to-day that if Britain and France found themselves allied in any future war, it was contemplated that naval co-operation would be complete.

Conversations had already begun between the respective naval staffs, and were being continued.—Reuter.

Air Services To Orient Night Flying To Aid Speed-Up

LONDON, Mar. 15. QUESTIONED IN the House of Commons by Mr. H. Day regarding the differences in the timetables of Imperial Airways and K.L.M., between London and Singapore, Captain H. H. Balfour, Under-Secretary of State for Air, stated that it was intended to speed-up the Empire services time-table progressively by the extension of night flying, and the provision of aircraft.

Production orders had already been placed.

Asked if any new machines had been constructed, Captain Balfour replied there were 14 new civil types of aircraft being constructed by Fairley, and probably, when completed in 1941 or 1942, would be used on this and other routes.—Reuter.

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SWASTIKA AS NATIONAL EMBLEM OF THE CZECHS

BOHEMIA AND MORAVIA, THE TWO CZECH STATES WHICH HAVE BEEN SEIZED BY GERMAN TROOPS, WILL BE INCORPORATED IN ALL OFFICIAL GERMAN MAPS AS PART OF THE GREATER REICH.

The swastika will be the official flag of the new German province, which will be known as Czechia.

The Czech Army will be disbanded and German troops will continue in occupation of the entire area.

SKODA FACTORY FOR REICH

Included in the German gains are the vast Skoda armaments factories.

The area of the two new German provinces is 30,426 square miles, which is more than half of the pre-September acreage of the entire Czech-Slovak Republic (54,207 square miles).

Slovakia, which will retain an unarmed independence as a semi-German state, has an area of 18,895 square miles and a population of 3,254,000. It is all that will remain on the maps of Europe to show where once stood the proud Central European Republic.

HITLER'S TRIUMPHANT ENTRY

PRAGUE, Mar. 15. HERR ADOLF HITLER made a triumphal entry into Prague at 7.45 p.m. this evening, in a snowstorm.

It is expected that a triumphal parade will be held to-morrow.

The Fuehrer took up official residence at the old castle of Prague, when his flag was hoisted over the castle tower by the castle guard, composed of a German Fascist regiment.

It is reported that Herr Hitler has commissioned General von Brauchitsch to exercise executive power in Bohemia and Moravia.

An earlier Berlin message says that Herr Hitler arrived at Boemischleipa on Bohemian territory this afternoon en route to Prague, accompanied by Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, General Keitel, General von Stiepenagel, the Quartermaster-General of the Army, Herr Himmler, and many other high army officers and party officers.

Herr Konrad Henlein, former Sudeten leader has been appointed civil administrator at the German army headquarters in Prague, while Herr Buerckel has been selected as head of the civil administration of Moravia at the German army headquarters in Prague.

Reports from Bratislava state that Ruthenia storm-troopers disarmed a large section of the Czech military.

CABINET RESIGNS

Prague, Mar. 15. The Czech Cabinet has resigned, and General Gajda, the Fascist leader, has been made "Fuehrer of the Czech people".—Reuter.

WALL STREET NERVOUS

New York, Mar. 15. Nervousness over the Czech-Slovakian situation dominated dealings on the New York stock and share exchange to-day.

The break was the widest since January 26 when Czech bonds crashed both on the New York and London markets.

Wall Street's principal worry was concerned with the European political situation and also considerable disappointment was felt regarding domestic developments, especially over the Federal Reserve action which dissipated hopes of a margin reduction.—United Press.

ESTABLISHING RELATIONS

Prague, Mar. 15. A Czech committee for the establishment of friendly relations between the Czech nation and the German army was formed here to-day.

It consists of political and non-political groups. The political group is composed of adherents to the so-called "Vlakta" movement, in which are incorporated anti-democratic and anti-Semitic aspirations of Czech youth, and which also comprise Czech Fascists.

The non-political group is divided into agricultural and industrial sections. Its members include the former Minister, M. Nečas, several Deputies of the Czech Agrarian Party, and Colonel Vítaz as liaison officer of the Czech General Staff.

The Secretary of the committee is Dr. Sokol, who was formerly secretary of the Central Union of Czech Municipalities.—Trans-Ocean.

"TRUSTLY"

Berlin, Mar. 15. A communiqué issued at 7 o'clock to-day after the meeting with Herr Hitler stated that President Hacha had declared that in order to reach a final agreement, he placed the fate of the Czech people trusting in the hands of Herr Hitler.

The Fuehrer accepted this declaration and gave expression to his decision that he placed the Czech people under the protection of the Reich, and would guarantee it an autonomous development in its national life corresponding with its peculiarities.—Reuter.

GERMAN PROCLAMATION

Berlin, Mar. 15. A final decision regarding the future constitutional position of Bohemia and Moravia within the Reich has not yet been taken, it is claimed in well-informed quarters.

The same position applies to the future rights and duties of the Czech population.

GERMANY ASKED TO EXPLAIN

Stresses Willingness Of The Czechs

PARIS, Mar. 15. A COMMUNICATION from the German Government regarding developments in Central Europe was received at the Quai d'Orsay early this afternoon.

It is believed that the communication particularly stressed the fact that entry of German troops into Bohemia and Moravia took place with the assent of the Prague Government. The German Ambassador, Count Welzer, is expected to visit the Foreign Office this afternoon—Trans-Ocean.

PARIS IMPRESSED

PARIS, Mar. 15. A request for information as to the exact meaning of Herr Hitler's proclamation with regard to the Czech State was made by the French Ambassador to Berlin this morning.

M. Georges Bonnet had telephone talks this morning with the Polish Ambassador and the French Ambassador in London.

This evening, M. Bonnet is receiving the German Ambassador, who will confirm the communication made this morning by which the German Government declared that its action in Czechoslovakia was taken in agreement with the Government in Prague.

The speed and gravity of the changes in Czechoslovakia has made a deep impression here, but what has most impressed the French is the passage in Hitler's proclamation declaring that Czechoslovakia is vital to Germany and that it belonged to Germany over 1,000 years.

This proclamation is regarded as abandonment of the principles of racism enunciated in "Mein Kampf", and also Hitler's statement after Munich, when he declared that National Socialism did not envisage incorporation in the Reich of non-Germans.—Reuter.

Burglars Climb Scaffolding

A daring burglary occurred in the office of the China Plant-Oil Lamp Company, in the S. C. M. Post building, in the early hours of this morning.

Entry was obtained by breaking the glass window, the burglars climbing scaffolding which has been erected for the purpose of renovating the building.

A quantity of radio apparatus and machine tools was stolen. The culprits used two waste-paper baskets to carry away the loot. The value of the stolen property has not yet been ascertained.

practical purposes the historic homeland of the Czech people will henceforth be merely provinces of the Reich, which will receive an additional population of more than seven millions, together with rich farmlands from whence to obtain, without currency difficulties, its vitally needed agricultural produce.

Measures expected to be taken include:

1.—The incorporation of the Bohemian and Moravian financial and customs systems with the Reich.

2.—The provinces will be brought in the near future within the scope of General Goering's four year plan.

3.—Berlin to take over the Prague National Bank's full gold reserves.

4.—The Czech army to be disbanded and the Reich to assume the completed defence of Bohemia and Moravia.

5.—The Nuremberg Jew laws will probably be introduced in the new territory.—United Press.

STRICT OBEDIENCE

"Executive power in Bohemia having been entrusted to me, I have made the following enactments: The Reich Commissary and regional leader, Herr Konrad Henlein, is appointed head of the civil administration within the area of the Third Army Group. On my behalf he undertakes the task of supervision of the entire public administration, including that in Prague."

TENSION AMONG NEIGHBOURS

Prague, Mar. 15. Herr Hitler and his army marched East to-day, crossing the last part of democratic Czechoslovakia, while Hungary, Poland and Rumania fought to share the spoils.

Meanwhile, Rumania is reported to be mobilising her frontier reinforcements possibly to make a bid for a slice of Ruthenia.

There is general tension in Yugoslavia, and the authorities have decided to take military precautions on the northern frontier facing Hungary and Rumania.

Terror prevailed in Prague to-day among those who fear Nazi reprisals especially the Jews. It is reported that many suicides have taken place.

The arrival of 800 Nazi secret police has increased apprehension.

The atmosphere was so hostile that the German forces imposed an 8 p.m. curfew and troops carried riot guns. In addition to their ordinary arms, it is reported that they mounted machine guns at strategic points to command the crowds.

It is noteworthy that it is the first time Hitler's soldiers have ever been booted publicly.—United Press.

THREE SHOTS FIRED!

Prague, Mar. 15. With the exception of three shots, the occupation of all large towns in the Provinces of Moravia and Bohemia was carried out with amazing speed and without incident.

The speed is all the more remarkable because of the heavy snowfalls and the unfavourable weather in general. With one exception no clashes between the German army and the Czech population or the Czech army, which is in the meantime being disarmed, took place.

The Czech garrison at Mistek erected barricades and refused to surrender. Three shots from a German gun were fired, and the Czechs signified their surrender by hoisting a white flag. The Czechs lost one dead and three wounded.—Trans-Ocean.

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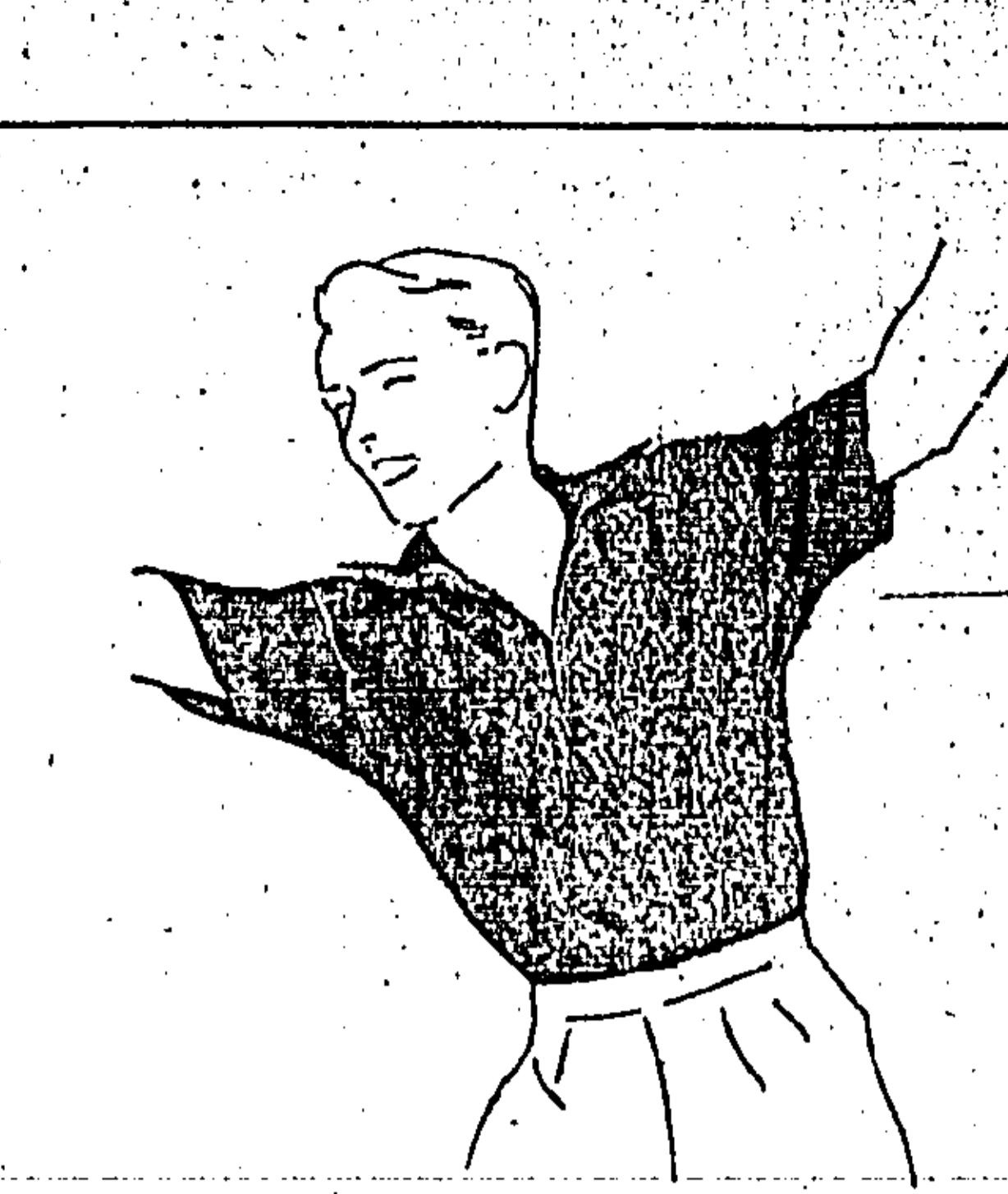
Berlin, Mar. 15. Although technically speaking Bohemia and Moravia will probably return to certain degree under a local administrative autonomy, for all

Chungking-Hanoi Air Service

Chungking, Mar. 15. The Chungking-Hanoi air service was formally inaugurated yesterday when the C.N.A.C. plane Chungshan left Chungking for Hanoi via Kunming.

There were twelve passengers to Kunming and the other four to Hanoi.

The plane will make a round trip between Chungking and Hanoi every week.—Central News.



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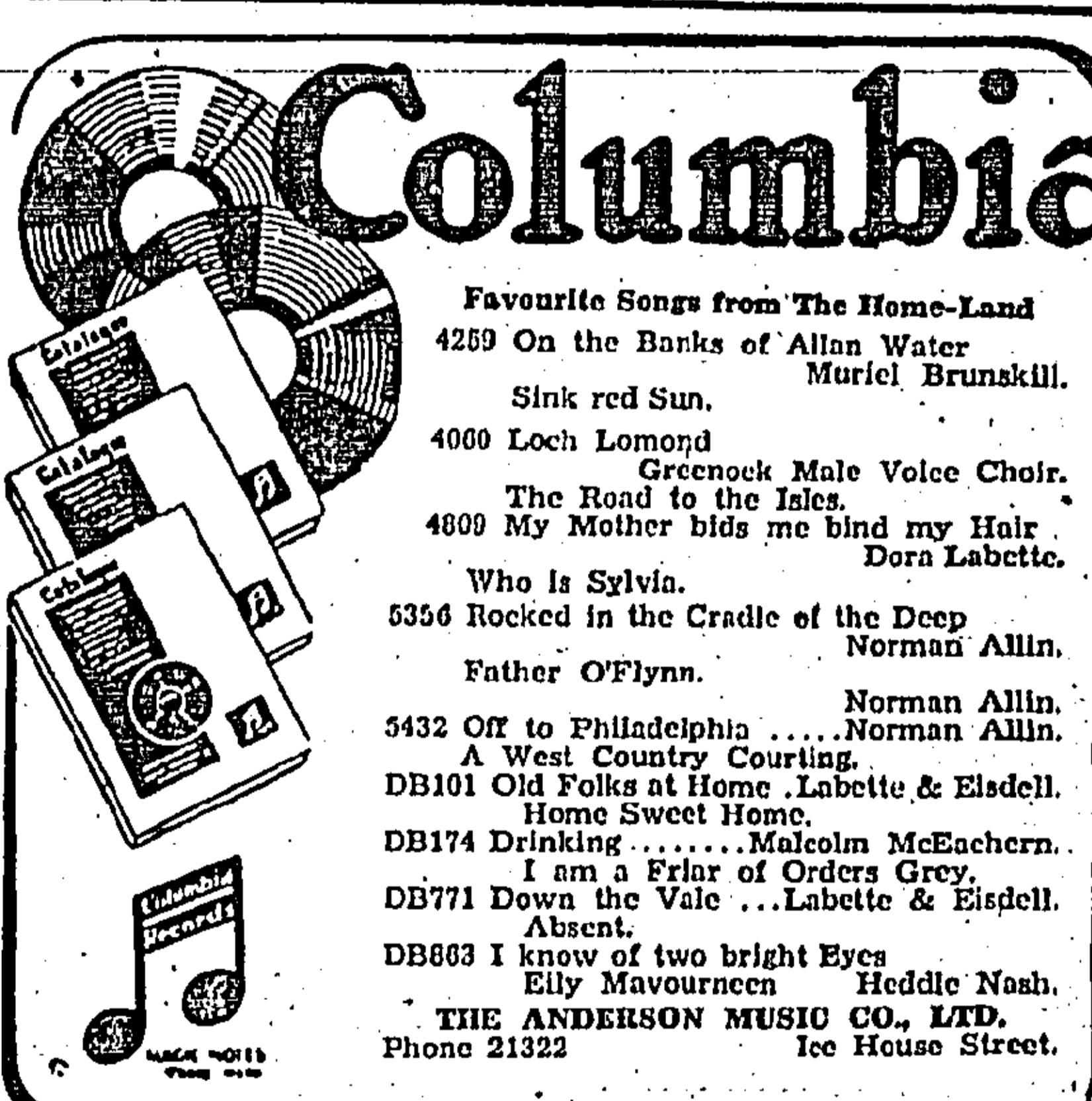
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POOR DAY FOR C.R.C. PLAYERS AT TENNIS TOURNEY

Three Eliminated In Four Ties Yesterday

(By "Abe")

Yesterday was a bad day for Chinese R.C. players in the Colony Tennis Championships: in three out of the four singles matches decided C.R.C. men participated and in all three they were eliminated from the tournament.

Paul Kong met his Waterloo at the hands of E. C. Fincher, who played extremely well to win out in straight sets. The scores 6-2, 6-4 in his favour, against a player of Kong's calibre, are sufficient proof of the high quality of Fincher's tennis yesterday. Not only was his backhand in good working order, but he was able to keep mistakes on the forehand down to a minimum.

The court, of course, suited Fincher's chops, but slowed down Kong's shots, generally made with a flat racket. But this advantage apart, it was Fincher who looked the likelier one of the two to win; he made fewer mistakes and his passing shots were generally winners.

After winning the first set comfortably, Fincher broke through champion's service after 3-3 had been called, but promptly dropped his serve, to level the scores at 4-4. However, he broke through his opponent's service, but this time he held his own to win out at 6-4.

If further proof was necessary to show that he will be a very difficult man to beat, Lim Thiam-tet provided it yesterday when he polished off

Results Of Matches Played Yesterday

The following were the results of matches played yesterday:

OPEN SINGLES

George Choa beat H. G. Gan 6-1, 6-0.

A. Crawford beat Pang Oi-lam 6-4, 6-2.

Lim Thiam-tet beat Lee Yue-wing 6-3, 6-3.

E. C. Fincher beat Paul Kong 6-2, 6-4.

VETERANS TO FIGHT FOR TITLE

Len Harvey Meet Gains To-Night

London, Mar. 15.

The British Empire heavyweight championship fight over 15 rounds at the Harringay Arena to-morrow between the 32-year-old Len Harvey, holder, and the 37-year-old coloured Canadian, Larry Guins, is likely to prove a battle of ringcraft, fitness and subtlety, rather than hard punching, although both promise to knock-out the opponent.

If there is a knock-out, Harvey, who has shown impressive punching ability at training, is likely to win.

To improve the television reception and to prevent any blurring of the figures, buttercup yellow enamel and blue ropes will be used.—Reuter.

ACCEPTORS FOR GRAND NATIONAL

London, Mar. 15.

The following are the final acceptors for the Grand National Steeple-chase which will be run on March 24:

Royal Mail (Danny Morgan), Royal Danleit (Moore), Dunhill Castle (Walwyn), Cooleen (Fawcett), Rockquilla (Carey), Joyval Judge (Goodwin), Brendan's Cottage (Owen), Dominick's Cross (Everett), Temerwillow (Rimell), Perfect Part (Ward), Luck Penny (Major Mosley), Red Hillman (Folwy), St. George II (Petric), Black Hawk (Moloney), Inverible (Hogan), War Vessel (R. Morgan), Second Act (Davy Deswell), Workman (Hyde), Red Freeman (Redmond), Blue Shirt (Smyth), Montricau II (Nicholson), MacMoffat (Alder), Milane (Mr. Stoddard), Kilstair (Archibald), Bachelor Prince (Isaac), West Point (Brogan), Deslys (no jockey), Under Bid (Wilson), Sporting Piper (Elder), Birth Gift (Bissill), Tuckmill (Black), Lucky Patch (Piggott), Smethis (Feakes), Drim (Morris), Penernik (Gordon), Mecmerist (Captain Harding), Scotch Wood (no jockey), and Ephiphanes (no jockey).—Reuter.

STANDARD NOT HIGH

Play was not of a high standard. Ireland attacked hotly before the interval but were unable to break down the Welsh defence, and half-time arrived with the Welshmen leading by 2-1.

After the interval, the Welsh defence was hard-pressed by the forceful Irish forwards, who instituted many sweeping movements, which were spoiled by poor finishing.

Wales eventually scored against the run of play, Boultre netting the third goal.

After this, Wales improved though Ireland finished the stronger team of the two.

The Welshmen were flattered by their margin of victory. Poland, who made his debut as goal-keeper in an International for Wales, was impressive, saving his side repeatedly.

Missed "sitters" caused the Irish defeat.—Reuter.

MEDAL GOLF

The following were the results of the L.G.U. Medal Competition of the Ladies' Section of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club played at Fanling on March 14:

Silver Division, Old Course—Mrs. D. J. Gilmore 90-15-81.

Bronze Division, New Course—Mrs. J. R. Collis 92-23-60.

Results Of Matches Played In League

London, Mar. 15.

The following were the results of matches played in the Home Football programme to-day:

FIRST DIVISION

Chester 1 Blackpool
Sunderland 0 Portsmouth
Huddersfield 1 Liverpool

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Bournemouth 1 Port Vale

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Bradford City 2 Doncaster

SCOTTISH LEAGUE (FIRST DIVISION)

Clyde 2 Queen's Park

—Reuter.

Rugger Matches At Home

London, Mar. 16.

Rugby results to-day were as follows:

RUGBY LEAGUE

Swinton 27 Broughton

RUGBY LEAGUE CUP (3RD ROUND REPLAY)

Halifax 18 Wakefield

RUGBY UNION

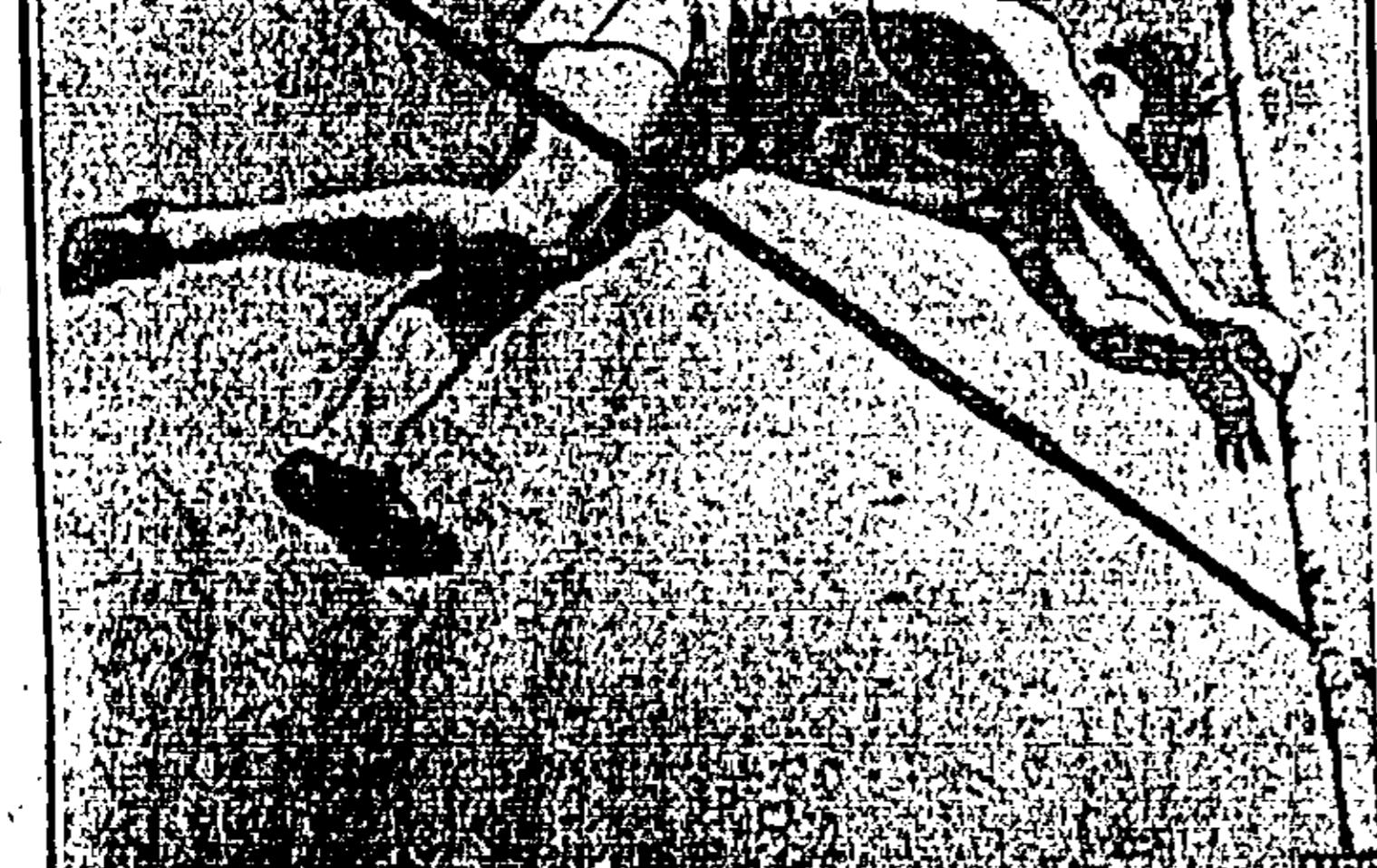
Kent 12 United Banks

(at New Beckenham)

Civil Service 6 R.A.F.

(at Chiswick)

—Reuter.



Among many top-fighters in sports who were seen recently at the Madison Square Garden was Cornelius Warmerdam, Millrose A.C., met at Madison Square Garden was Cornelius Warmerdam, above, U.S. national pole vault champion. Warmerdam's record is 14 feet 7½ ins. He's from the California Olympic Club. This action picture shows him going over the bar.

Draw In Test Confirmed

Durban, Mar. 15.

The Final Test was abandoned as a draw on the tenth day. Rain stopped play throughout to-day when England needed only 42 runs, with five wickets in hand.

The match could not be continued as the M.C.C. team have to catch their ship home. The final scores were: South Africa 530 and 481; M.C.C. 316 and 654 for 5.—Reuter's Bulletin.

OUR WEEKLY HOCKEY FEATURE

'The Pilgrim' on—

THROUGH PASS NOW FAVoured

DIFFERENT METHODS EMPLOYED BY FORWARDS NOWADAYS

INDIVIDUAL PLAY SEEN TO GREATER EXTENT

The short-passing game, which was developed to such a fine art by some of the finest centre-forwards in hockey, has in present-day play been superseded to a great extent by the through pass. This is nothing more or less than the oldest style of hockey—called in those days "hit and run"—brought down to a scientific basis, and it is for this reason that nowadays we see little of the short square-passing game from stick to stick that used to be such a delight to watch.

The tendency of this new style of play has been to make players more individual than formerly, and here again generalship and brain-work must play an important part.

PLAY THE GAME

Sufficient attention is seldom paid either by the captain or by the team as a whole to the way in which the best can be brought out of the side. Too often a team is merely a collection of eleven individuals, but for an afternoon's exercise and enjoyment, who do not consider as much as they might the best way to get the utmost out of themselves, not only with a view to winning but also to give as good a display as possible.

A clever defenceman, alive to these methods, can position himself to frustrate attacks far more easily than it could to check a fast and clever line of forwards playing the short-passing game.

On wet and heavy grounds, where the defence find it difficult to turn quickly, a centre-forward can adopt a different method with the through-pass, backed with greater chances of success than on a hard and fast ground, and so here again generalship and brain-work must play an important part.

THE CENTRE-FORWARD

The centre-forward of to-day must not allow himself to become a slave to this new form of attack, but should use his own discretion as to when to employ it, and he should certainly vary his methods as much as possible.

Victory is certainly not the sole aim and object of any game. What is necessary is that the side should play well and hard, and also take my bad luck that comes their way with equanimity. If they should win, so much the better.



Miss Westcott is no stranger to the outside left position in Interports, having played before on this wing against Shanghai.

League Table To Date

The following is the H.K.H.A. Tournament Table to date:

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.
Radio & P.S.C.	5	5	2	2	27	14	14
C.R.A.	5	5	2	2	21	10	10
R.A.F.	5	4	3	1	22	12	14
Police "A"	5	4	3	1	21	11	11
Normal	5	3	4	2	13	20	4
H.O.C.	5	2	5	1	11	15	4
K.I.T.C.	5	1	6	1	10	25	0
Varsity	5	0	5	0	0	12	0
Police "B"	5	0	5	0	0	12	0

"PILGRIM" THINKS H. K. INTERPORT TEAM WILL DO WELL IN SHANGHAI

The ladies' Interport team has practically been selected. Eight defenders and seven forwards have been nominated by the Ladies' Hockey Association to make the trip to Shanghai.

The players chosen are: Goal-keeper—Mrs. Lunson (H.K. Ladies).

Backs—Miss G. White (St. Andrews'), Miss A. Fowler (Y.Ladies') and Mrs. Wilmot (Scarborough).

Half-backs—Mrs. Stone ("Y" Ladies), Miss I. Woolley (C.B.A.), Miss Reid (St. Andrew's) and Miss Greaves (D.G.S.).

Forwards—Mrs. Burnett ("Y" Ladies'), Miss Harker ("Y" Ladies), Mrs. Read ("Y" Ladies), Mrs. Dalziel (H.K. Ladies), Miss Westcott (H.K. Ladies), Miss M. Booker (C.B.A.) and Miss J. Greif (H.K. Ladies).

As women are always keen and eager to make any substantial improvement in the technique of their game, it has been suggested however, to play out as an experiment, so far as short corners are concerned, of placing the ball within five yards of the goalpost instead of the customary 10, with all defenders standing on the further side of the goal-line, with just the goalkeeper in charge. Until such an experiment is carried out by practical demonstration, it is impossible to suggest whether such a reform of the short corner rule would make for any greater improvement. Beyond this, it is left to be seen whether the women will experiment on this suggestion.

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SHOULD DEFENCE

I cannot imagine Miss Greif performing in that position with the same degree of success.

I rather liked the right-wing combination of Miss Harker and Mrs. Burnett of the "Y" Ladies. I find the Selectors are quite aware of the former's playing qualities. She has speed, a powerful hit and supports her wing well. The absence of Miss C. Silver in the attack is due to the fact that she is unable to make the trip north.

They are experienced Interports, possessing plenty of "fire" in their Shanghaik defence.

According to the names submitted, the Interport team and reserves would probably be as follows:

Mrs. Lunson

Miss A. Fowler

Mrs. Stone

Miss I. Woolley

Miss H. Reid

Mrs. Burnett

Miss Harker

Mrs. Read

Mrs. Dalziel

Miss Westcott

Reserves—Mrs. Wilmot, Miss B. Greaves, Miss M. Booker and Miss J. Greif.

SOUND DEFENCE

I should imagine Mrs. Lunson, Miss White and Miss Fowler will comprise the Colony's chief defence. Mrs. Lunson is always safe as a goal-

RANDOM JOTTINGS BY "THE PILGRIM"

CONGRATULATIONS to the following ladies for winning their first Interport colours:

Miss G. White (St. Andrews'), Mrs. Wilmot (Scarborough), Mrs. I. Stone ("Y" Ladies), Mrs. H. Reid (St. Andrew's), Miss B. Greaves (D.G.S.), Miss B. Harker ("Y" Ladies), Mrs. M. Read ("Y" Ladies), Miss M. Booker (C.B.A. Ladies) and Miss J. Greif (H.K. Ladies).

THOUGH Queen's College were unable to field a team in the H.K.H.A. Tournament this season due to the weakness of their side, I am glad to hear they are participating in the six-a-side Tournament. What the schoolboys should do in the future is to form a combined schools team and be affiliated to the Association. This will probably enable them to enter a team in the H.K.H.A. Tournament next season. This may also pave the way for a Junior Interport game with Macao. What about it, schools?

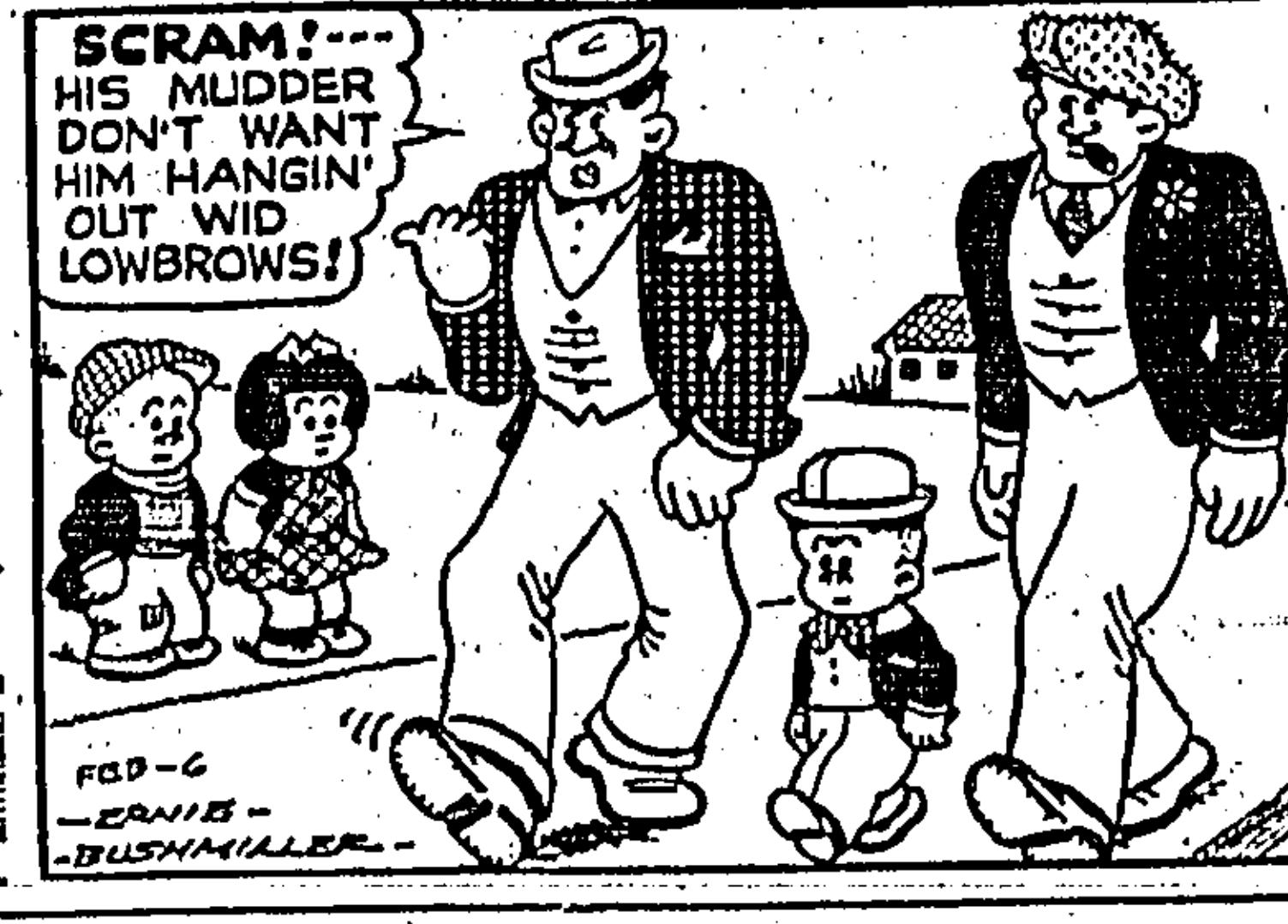
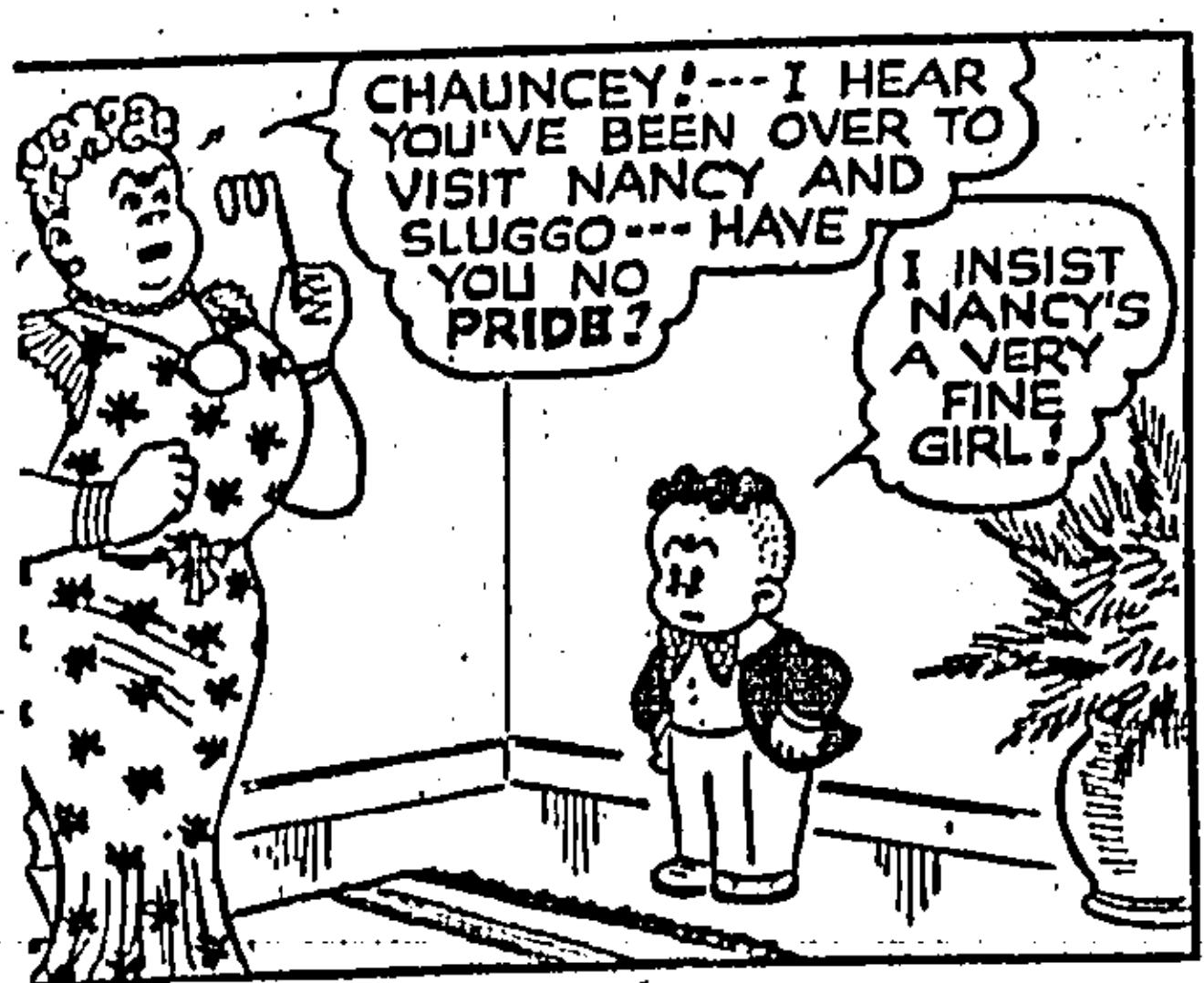
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March 16, 1939.

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NANCY



Birmingham's Cup "Tragedy" v. Everton

PENALTY CONCEDED
ONLY 3 MINUTES
FROM THE FINISH

By A. G. Shrive.

Everton 2 Birmingham 1

London, Feb. 16.

Another Cup-tie tragedy occurred in this fifth-round replay at Goodison Park, and the victims were Birmingham.

With only three minutes left for play they were beaten by a penalty goal conceded by Dearson, who in the excitement of the moment handed the ball which had been headed towards goal by Boyes from Gillick's centre.

The tragedy of it was that two of his colleagues could have cleared the ball in a legitimate manner. The goalkeeper moved across and had the ball covered and Halsall, who was standing in front of him, was rising to head it away when Dearson jumped up and used his hand to stop it. Cook took the "spot" kick and drove the ball low into the net to the left of the goalkeeper. This was Cook's fifth consecutive penalty goal.

EVERTON LUCKY

A few minutes before this Dearson had nearly won the match for his side. He took the ball through at top speed, was checked and lost it, but when Thomson passed it back to a colleague Dearson followed up and fired in the best shot of the match, which was brilliantly saved by Sugars.

Immediately the match was over Clark, the Birmingham goalkeeper, ran across the field and patted Dearson on the back—a very nice gesture from one who must have been suffering from a keen sense of disappointment.

Everton can reckon themselves lucky. Indeed to win this game and so gain the chance of visiting Wolverhampton in the next round. They did not play near such good football as Birmingham, who are at the bottom of the First Division table while they are at the top.

Birmingham were the quicker-moving side, worked the ball more skilfully and found the open spaces much better with their passes. They must have played far above their normal form, or else they are occupying a false position in the League. Every position in the team was capably filled and the team spirit admirable.

An outstanding player was Halsall, the centre-half. He saw to it that Lawton had few chances and he was scrupulously fair in his tackling. Dearson also played a fine game, especially in attack.

BEST-INSIDE FORWARD

I thought the half-back play of Birmingham was better all round than that of Everton. Jones was easily the best Everton half-back. He never got flustered and covered up in defence with real judgment.

Both Birmingham backs positioned well, tackled quickly and kicked soundly, while Clark's goalkeeping was marked by good anticipation and sure fielding of the ball.

Harris proved a fast and virile leader and drew the defence by

OUR GUIDE
TO THE
CINEMAS

"Gateway" (King's, to-day)—Drama of Ellis Island. Don Amecche, foreign correspondent, rescues Arleen Whelan, Irish immigrant, from deportation and in accordance with the best tradition, wins her hand. Gregory Ratoff, Binnie Barnes and a capable cast help the show along.

"Arkansas Traveller" (Queen's, to-day)—Bob Burns, tramp printer, steps into the breach in a western town, defends freedom of speech by radio when it is squashed in a newspaper. An improbable but pleasant tale in which Burns is well supported by Fay Bainter and Dickie Moore.

"It's Exciting Night" (Alhambra, to-day)—Charlie Ruggles heads a list of funsters in this Universal hit, with "Slapstick" Maxie Rosenbloom, Stepin Fetchit, Benny Baker and Marion Martin. Ruggles as bridegroom provides the laughs.

"Lord Jeff" (Oriental, to-day)—Freddie Bartholomew is again reformed through kindness, discipline and fair play. The accomplice of crooks, he is caught and sent to an English nautical school for waifs, there learns a new code and drops his old one. The film bears an ideal cargo—fun, action, fair play and "love interest." Mickey Rooney, Terry Kilburn and others help the show along.

"Showboat Angel" (Majestic, to-day)—Remake of a film based on a story called "Private Pettigrew's Girl," telling how a chorus girl carried a doughboy so that he might carry her (mistaken) ideal of home to the trenches—where he was killed. Margaret Sullivan, James Stewart and Walter Pidgeon have the chief roles.

"Walt Disney's Variety" (Cathay, to-day)—More examples of Walt Disney's art. Good for the kiddies as the programme is all cartoons.

Only a fine save by Sugar from a header by Harris—again from a Jennings centre—prevented Birmingham scoring again in almost the next minute.

There was a thrill when Gillick charged a through pass down the middle and shot just wide as the goalkeeper ran out and collided with him.

The Everton goal had a lucky escape early in the second half when Sugar dropped the ball from a low centre by Harris. As Craven dashed in the goalkeeper just managed to retrieve his error.

Birmingham were the better side throughout this half without being able to force a goal, and it looked as though extra time would be necessary until Dearson made the fatal mistake.

Everton: Sugars; Cook, Greenhalgh; Mercer, Jones (T.G.), Thompson; Gillick, Bentham, Lawton, Stevenson, Boyes.

Birmingham: Clark; Trigg, Hughes; Dearson, Halsall, Richards; Jennings, Craven, Harris, Madden, Brown.

Chinese Team To
Play England

The following will represent the Chinese in the "Sunday Herald" Chinese Cup match against England Saturday, 18th March, 1939, commencing at 4 p.m. at Carolean Hill on Sunday at 4 p.m.

1. Tam Kwan-keon (S. China "B");

2. Yung-sang (Kwong Wah); Lee Tin-sang (S. China "A"); Soong Ling-sing (Eastern); Leung Wing-chiu (S. China "A"); Hui King-shing (Eastern); Fung King-cheung (S. China "A"); Lee Wal-ton (S. China "A"); Lai Shiu-wing (S. China "A") and Hui Ching-lo (Eastern).

Reserves—Young Shui-yick (S. China "B"); Wong King-chong (Kwong Wah); Cheuk Shek-kun (Kwong Wah); Lee Tak-ke (Eastern) and Lo Wal-kuen.

SPORT ADVTS

THE HONG KONG
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THE FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 18th March, 1939, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

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No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

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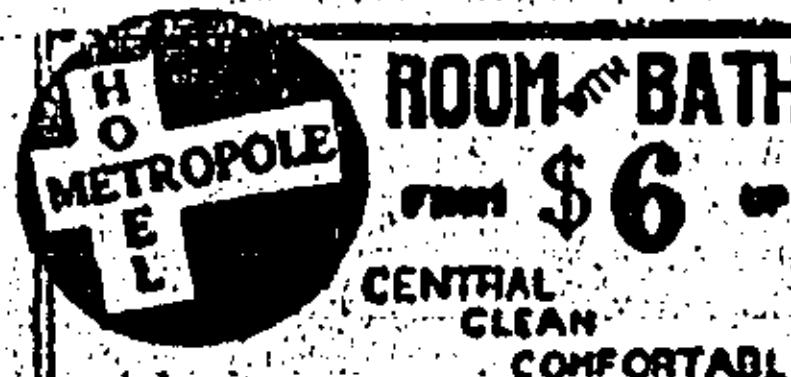
The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building (Tel. 27704), will close at 12 NOON.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 21920).

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order, O. B. BROWN,
Secretary
Hongkong, 13th March, 1939.



OUR SPELLING-BEE (see page 7)
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Knight-errant, including muslin

By Ernie Bushmiller

March 16, 1939.

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SO EFFECTIVE ON PARIS VISIT

Here is a forecast of the trends which the Queen's clothes will follow:

Colours will include no black, but some black and white, a good deal of the white, which proved so effective on the Paris visit.

Tremendous efforts are being made both from Canada and the United States to penetrate the closed and guarded secrets of the dresses which have been specially designed for the Queen. As much as £1,000 has been offered for a model of the dress.

No details are to be made known until the Queen actually appears in it, but this much is hinted: they will launch new novelties.

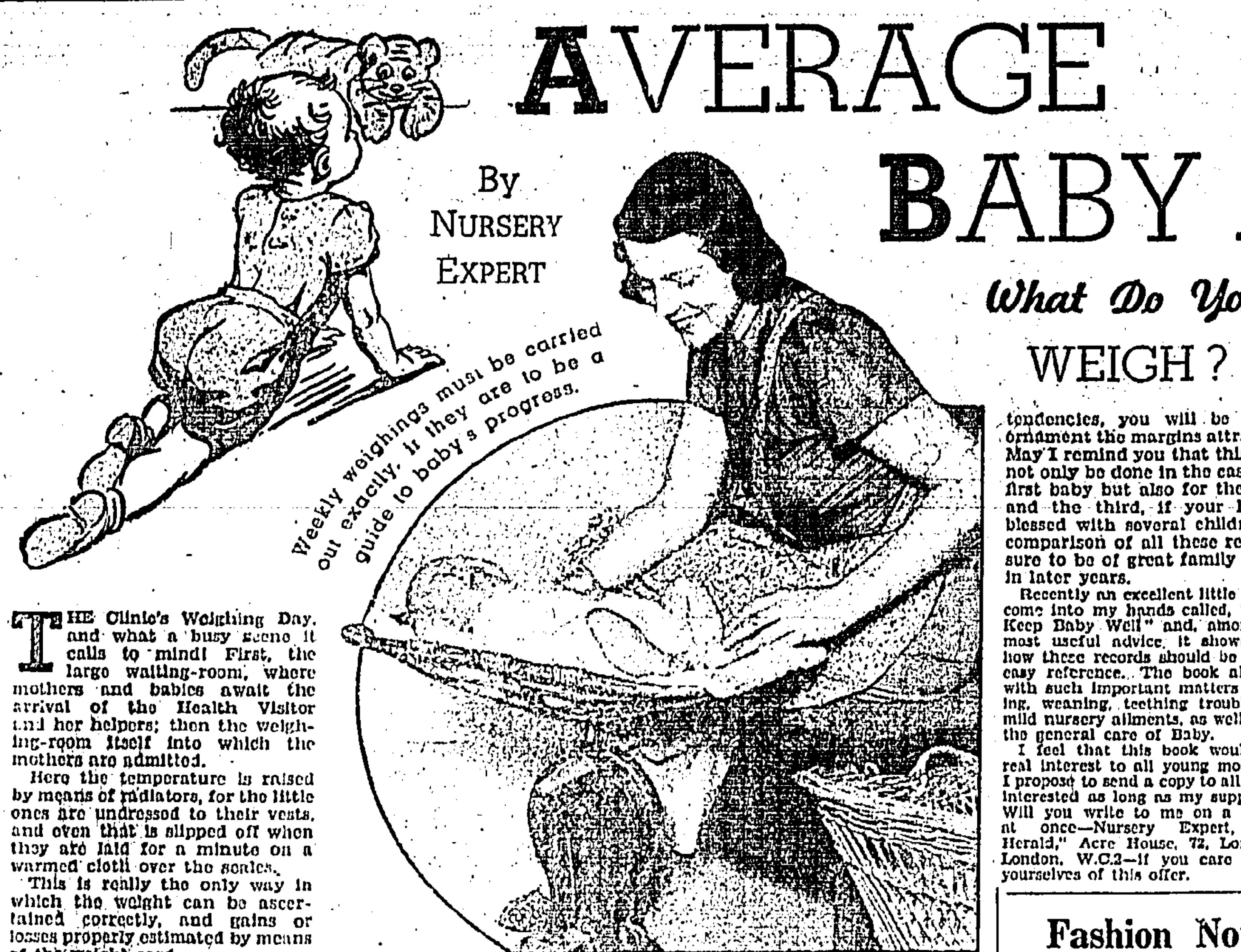
The Queen will take fifty crowns and coats with her and a hat for each day's wearables. On some days she will wear three different outfitts, and the crowded schedule demands that these changes shall

an impression of height. This effect will be achieved partly by artificial flowers so natural that they could be mistaken for the real thing instead of by feather trimmings such as the Queen has been wearing lately.

Fur trimming will be less in evidence than in the past, but the Queen will take with her several hand-some furs.

A marked difference is anticipated between the clothes designed for Canada and those to be worn in the U.S.A.

The reason for this is that Canada have expressed the wish that their Queen shall look at "regal" as possible, while the United States the King and Queen will be regarded as the head of a friendly State and his consort rather than as state-visiting royalty.



THE Clinic's Weighing Day, and what a busy scene it calls to mind! First, the large waiting-room, where mothers and babies await the arrival of the Health Visitor and her helpers; then the weighing-room itself, into which the mothers are admitted.

Here the temperature is raised by means of radiators, for the little ones are undressed to their vests, and often that is slipped off when they are laid for a minute on a warmed cloth over the scales.

This is really the only way in which the weight can be ascertained correctly, and gains or losses properly estimated by means of the weight-card.

While Mother dresses her baby, nurse gives a little advice according to the information noted on this card.

Rapid Gains

If Baby is gaining too rapidly, for instance, and suffering from wind or colicky pains after a feed, who will explain how best to cut down the feeds to the quantity that the infant can assimilate comfortably.

If, on the other hand, the gains are insufficient, who will go into the matter carefully, perhaps suggesting changes in the mother's diet or more rest for

her, or else she may feel that supplementary feeds are indicated, and will advise accordingly.

I always advise every mother to keep a careful record of her baby's weight, whether she is able to attend the weighing centre or not.

The centre only applies to the average baby, of course. Tiny premature babies weighing perhaps five pounds or less often do wonders in making up for their modest start in life.

Others, again, who started life as nine or ten pounds, may not develop so rapidly where weight is concerned during their first year.

During the second year, once a month should be sufficient for the normally healthy toddler.

An important point is to have Baby weighed at about the same hour as well as on the same day each week. Well between two feeds is the best time if you want to get a fair estimate of the progress made.

If you cannot understand Baby, take a little parcel with you containing exactly similar garments to those which the infant is wearing, and, having had this little packet weighed, deduct that weight from that of the clothed baby.

What to Expect

There must be nothing slack about these weekly weighings: they must be carried out carefully and exactly, otherwise they are useless as a guide to baby's progress.

How much should Baby gain? This is a question which puzzles many young mothers, and find that most of them tend to expect too much where the weekly gains are concerned.

A rough estimate, but one that works

out quite well, is to expect that the child should double its birth-weight by the time that it is six months old, and that it should have trebled the birth-weight by its first birthday.

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First Months

You can be satisfied if your baby gains four to six ounces every week during the first six months of his life. After that he may only gain two or three ounces each week, especially if he is teething.

During his second year you can rest contented if he gains about 6 ounces each month.

Larger gains during the first six months, coupled with restlessness, wind and signs of pain point to over-feeding: smaller gains or "stalling" go to show that the diet needs adjustment and probably supplementing.

I also advise you to keep a "log-book" of Baby's progress, for you will find it an immensely interesting record, besides which it may prove a really helpful guide should the child's health cause anxiety at any time.

You can rule the book out for yourself, dividing it up into various sections under the headings of Weight, Height, Mental Progress, Attainments (First Smile, First Step, First Word, etc.) and Teething, and, if you have artistic

ability, draw in the spaces.

MIDGE: In Waiting



"Daddy, are you still reading Bobby Bear?"

For Our Junior Readers

Burmese Stamps

New Set of PICTORIALS



Above: A sailing canoe with wind-filled sails on the mighty Irrawaddy. On the left: Oxen draw the plough in the rice fields of Burma.

annas are normal size and portray the King, as do the highest values (to 10 rupees), which, however, are larger stamps.

Native Carvings

In all these values the border design consists of strange mythical and symbolic creatures such as are found amongst the carvings of the native buildings.

At the base of the 1 and 2 rupees is a peacock, the magnificent outspread tail of which forms a kind of "halo"

The first set consisted only of the current Indian stamps overprinted with the word "BURMA". There was a great demand for them from collectors who thought at the time that they would not remain in use very long as a "definitive" set was rumoured.

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BURDWAN	6,000	25th Mar.	Hull, B'bay, R'dam & A'werp.
CANTON	16,000	1st Apr.	Marseilles & London.
ALIPORE	6,000	10th Apr.	Straits, Colombo, Bombay & Karachi.
CORFU	14,000	16th Apr.	Marseilles & London.
SOMALI	7,000	21st Apr.	B'bay, M'selles, Havre, L'don, Hull, H'bg, R'dam & A'werp.
CHITRAL	15,000	29th Apr.	Marseilles & London.
CARTHAGE	11,000	13th May	B'bay, M'selles, Havre, L'don, Hull, H'bg, R'dam & A'werp.
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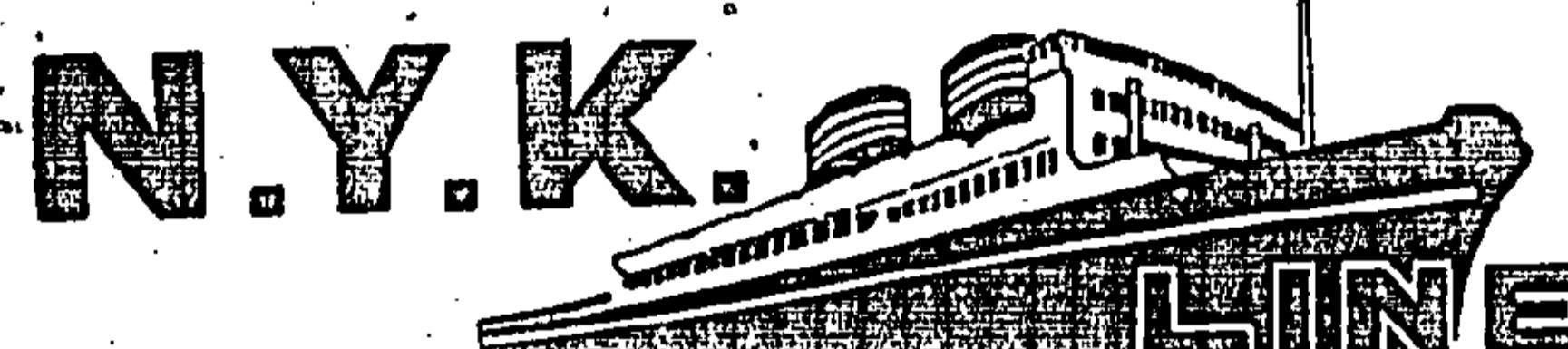
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CORFU	14,500	17th Mar. 10 a.m.	Shanghai & Japan.
SOMALI	7,000	17th Mar. 6 a.m.	Shanghai & Japan.
CHITRAL	15,000	30th Mar.	Shanghai & Japan.
TILAWA	10,000	30th Mar.	Shanghai & Japan.
NELORE	7,000	5th April	Shanghai & Japan.
SANTHA	8,000	13th April	Japan.
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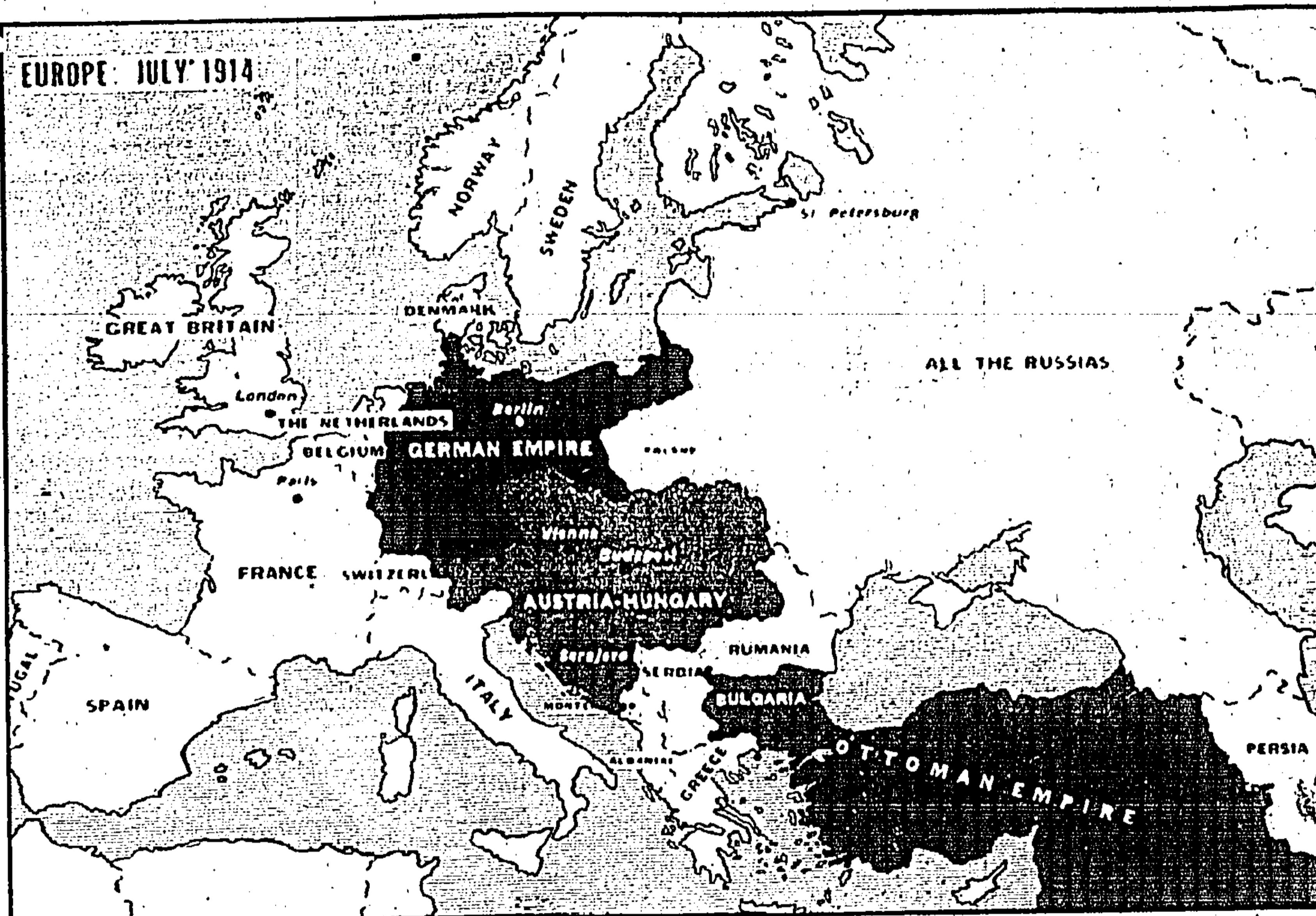
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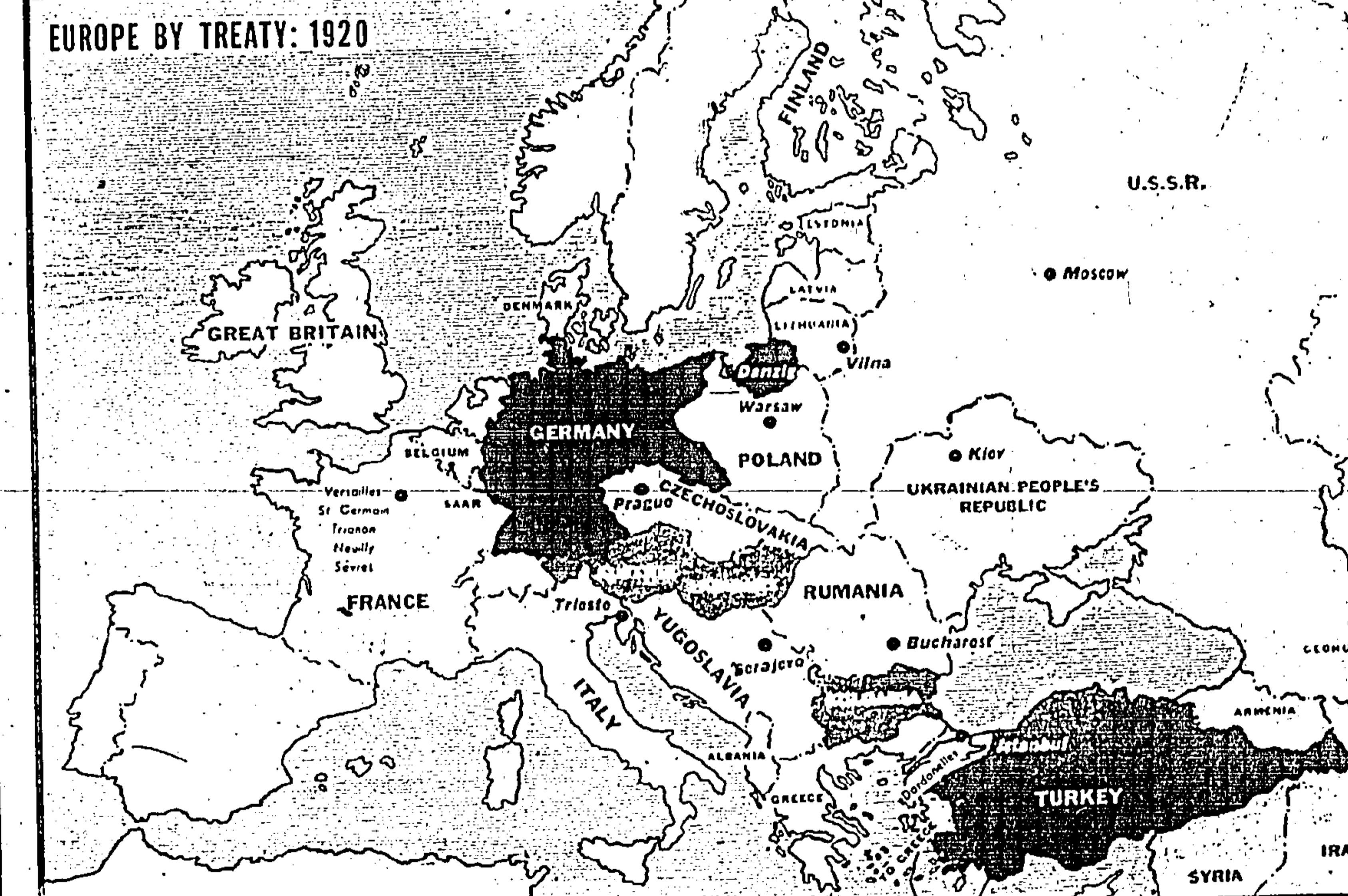
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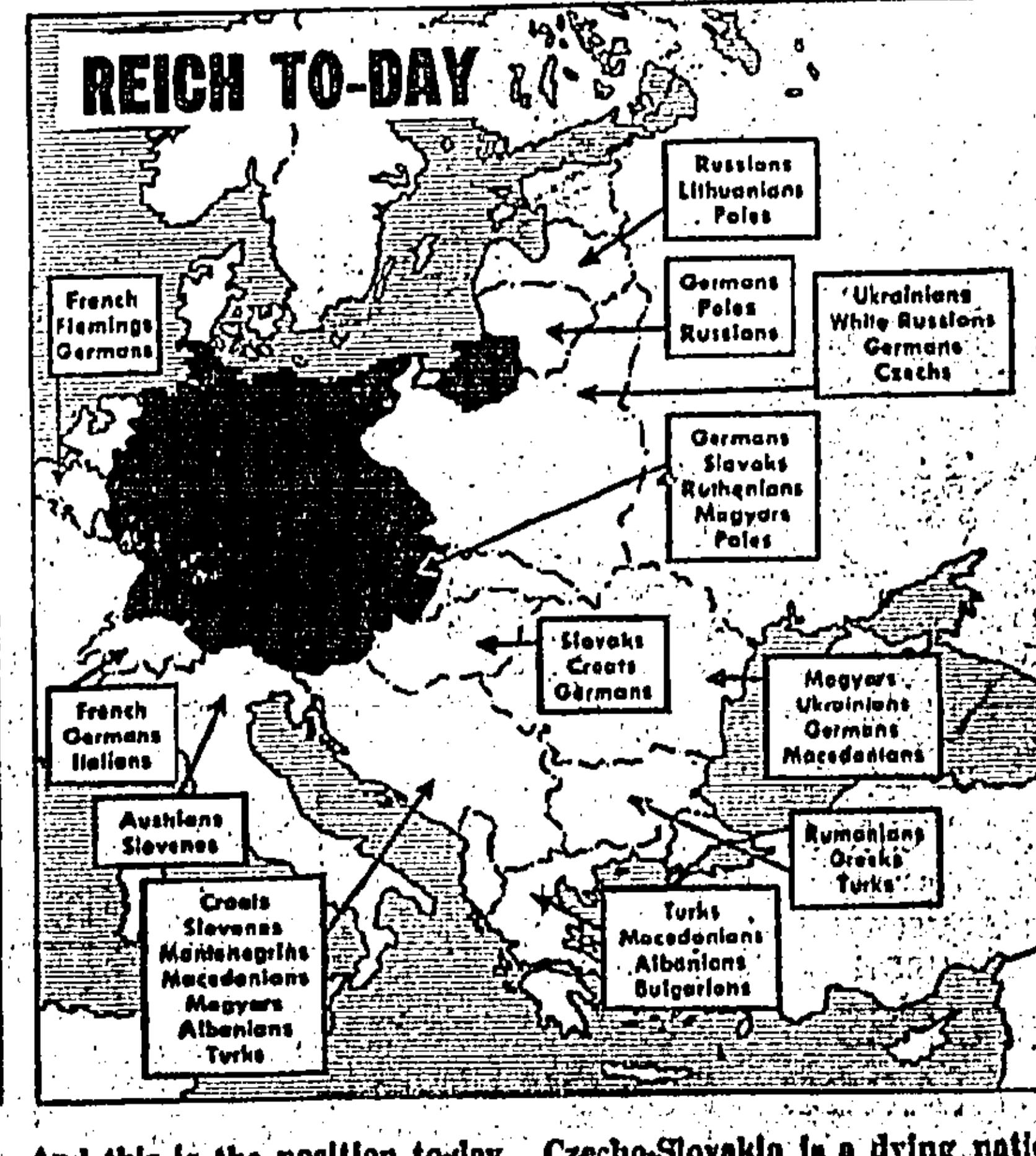
Europe before the Great War in 1914. Poland was part of Russia, there was no Czechoslovakia or Baltic States. The Austro-Hungarian and German frontiers looked across the plains of Russia.



Europe at the end of the Great War. Germany was dismembered, Czechoslovakia became a powerful state with its most heavily populated area in the heart of Germany. Note, however, that Czechoslovakia was carved from Austria-Hungary, not Germany. Yugoslavia was born.



Germany, which commenced to grow with the Rhineland occupation in 1936, was like this after the Austrian Anschluss on March 13, 1938, exactly a year ago this week.



And this is the position to-day. Czechoslovakia is a dying nation, a new State, Slovakia, is born, and Hungary is fighting Ruthenia in the eastern end of Czechoslovakia.

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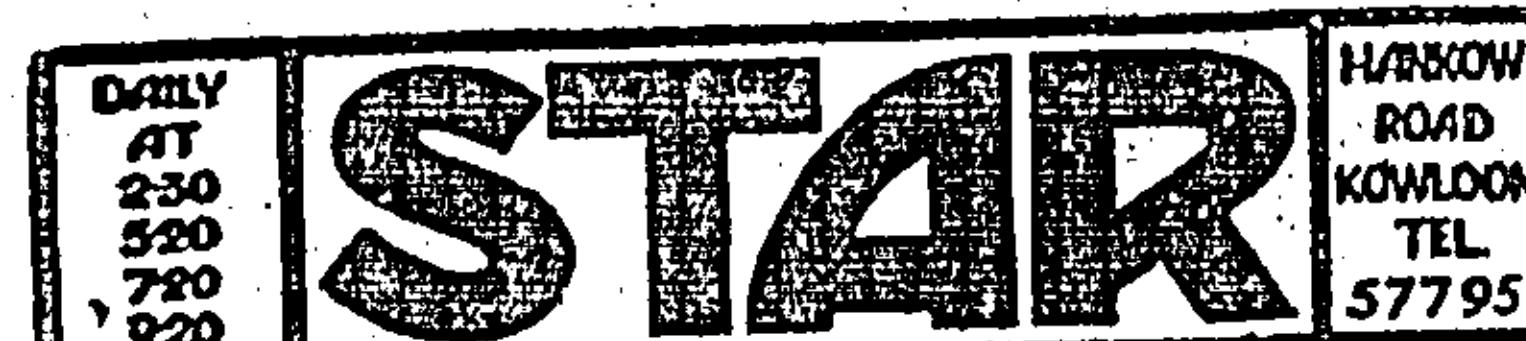
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BRITISH DEMARCHE TO BERLIN

London, Mar. 15. Britain has made a demarche to Berlin concerning the entry of German troops into Czechoslovakia. It is regarded as possible that a similar step will be taken by France.

It is learned that during the recent events there have been close contacts between the British Minister to Prague and Czech officials. The Czechs, however, have made no request for advice to the British Government.

There is now a strong possibility that the projected trade visit of Mr. Oliver Stanley and Mr. R. S. Hudson, Board of Trade officials, will be cancelled.—Reuter.

Statement To-morrow

London, Mar. 16. Mr. Nevill Chamberlain is expected to make a statement in the House of Commons to-day regarding Britain's position in connection with the events in Central Europe.

The introduction of the Navy estimates which was scheduled to be discussed in the Commons to-day has been postponed until to-morrow. The Cabinet met this morning and it is understood discussed the European situation. The British Ambassador in Berlin has been instructed to approach the German Government regarding the events in Czechoslovakia.—Reuter Bulletin.

Y.M.C.A. LECTURE

At the European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, to-night, at 9 p.m., Mr. M. F. Key, o.m.e., will give an address on a journey across the United States by motorbus, with an account of Yosemite, the Carlsbad Caverns and the Grand Canyon.

An original feature of the evening will be a pageant of American men's fashions illustrating cowboys' clothes and other gay styles, including "Gipsy Doodle" shirts popular in Honolulu.

Professor R. Robertson, of the Hongkong University, will preside.

NOTES SIGNED

Italy And Britain Discuss Trade Relations

Rome, Mar. 15. The British Ambassador, Lord Perth, and Count Clano have signed the exchange notes in connection with the review of the existing commercial agreement.

It is believed that the notes will bring up to date the existing treaty by reviewing the list of British products which Italy can use and Italian products useful to Britain.—Reuter.

LATE NEWS

Egypt

Wedding Contract Is Signed

King Farouk and the Crown Prince of Iran to-day signed the contract for the marriage between the latter and Princess Fawzia. According to Moslem custom, the bride was not present.

Celebrations are taking place, lasting three days, and another ceremony will be held when the Crown Prince and his bride return to Teheran.—Reuter's Bulletin.

Royal Salute Fired

London, Mar. 16. A Royal salute announced to the waiting citizens that the wedding contract had been signed at Abdine Palace.

King Farouk and the Crown Prince of Iran signed the contract in the presence of a hundred princes and high dignitaries, including the Prime Minister.—Keuter Special.

CARTOONISTS' UNION

A Hongkong branch of the Chinese Cartoonists' Association was formally organised at a meeting of more than 30 leading Chinese cartoonists on Tuesday.

Mesra, Yeh Chien-yu, Hung Ting, Chang Kuang-yu, Chen Yen-chiao, Li Fan-fu and Ting Chung were elected members of the standing committee.

It was decided that an exhibition of modern Chinese cartoons will be held in Hongkong in the early part of April, and a cartoon periodical will be published.—Central News.

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• EXORTION CASE

AN ANCIENT ANIMAL

Remains of Desmotylus Found in Japan

Tokyo, Mar. 15. Desmotylus, monster animal believed to have lived in Japan approximately 20,000,000 years ago, belongs to the Ungulate family, according to Professor Masaji Iijiri of the Tokyo High School.

Desmotylus is believed to have inhabited along the coasts of the Northern Pacific including Japan and the United States, its size being about the same as that of Rhinoceros or Hippopotamus.

A number of skeletons, believedly the remains of the ancient animal, have been discovered in Japan in the provinces of Izumo, Mino and Sado, the Hokkaido and Saghalien and in America in the State of Oregon.

Interviewed by newspapermen, Professor Iijiri said that Japan was most abundant in Desmotylus skeletons. It was interesting to note, Professor Iijiri added, that the tusk of this animal contained the same element as the tooth of human being.—Domel.

• EXTORTION CASE

Clerk Remanded For Sentence

Convicted on a charge of attempted extortion by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, a man named Fu Yun-ming, 32, clerk, was remanded in police custody for 24 hours prior to sentence being passed. Mr. Macfadyen said that the sentence will be \$250 or three months' hard labour, to date from March 6.

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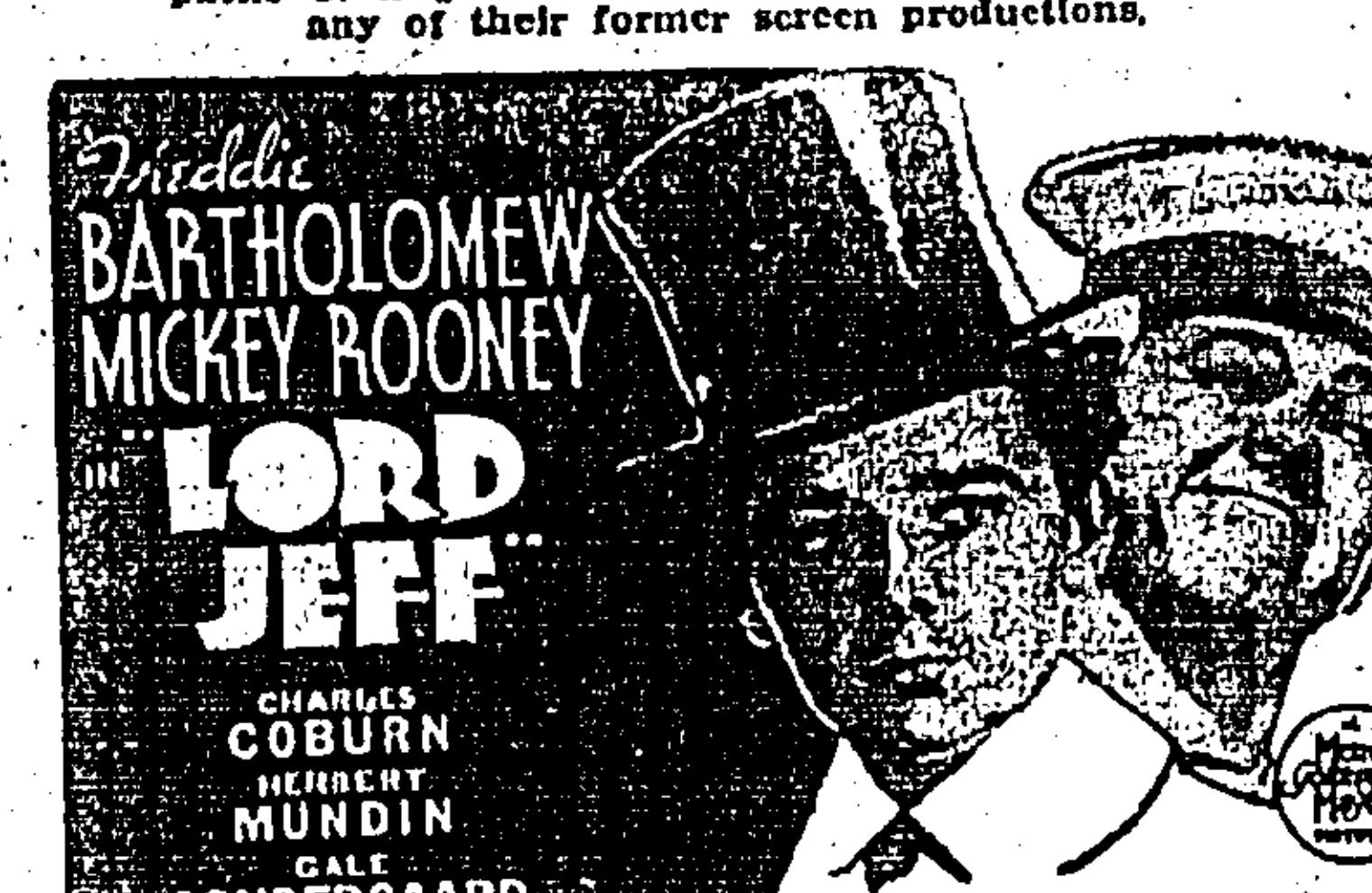
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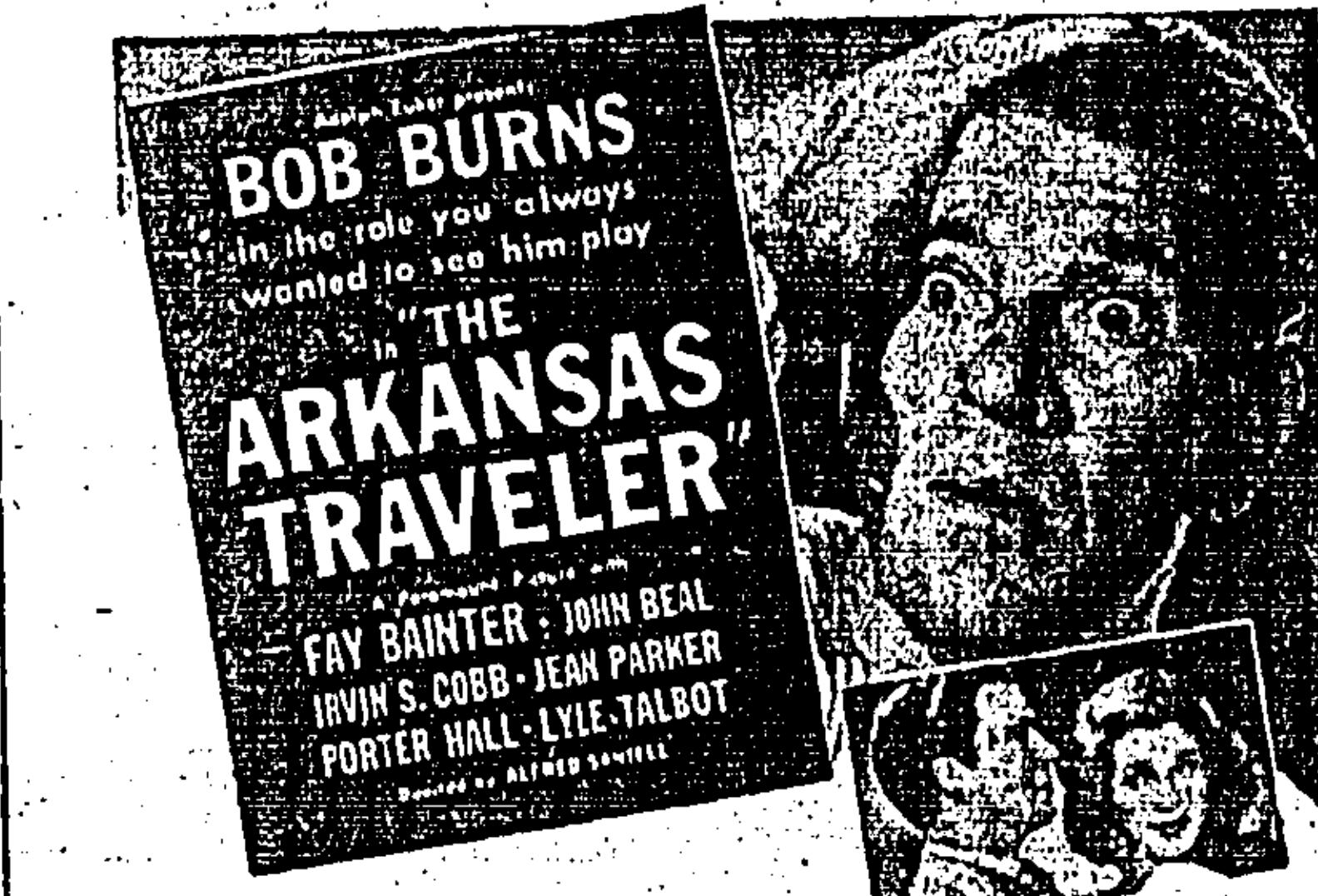
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During the last 24 hours, twenty new notifications were made, includ-

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